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Grade/Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section 40**

Kettering  
Northants

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
4 December 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in 2007, 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 Rothwell, Northants in 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said he thinks it was a UFO 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.)	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 UFO was seen flying over Rothwell, Northants.
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>Kettering Northants</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 did it was definitely unusual, so possibly a UFO sighting.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	4 December 2007 10.45L



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**Section 40**

Bottesford  
Lincolnshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

26 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 23 November 2007, the details of which you passed to Humberside 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 23 November 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	23 November 2007 08.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A silver disc was seen with an orange light in the middle 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.)	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 Bottesford, Lincolnshire.
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 flying up and down in the air.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported to Humberside Police who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Bottesford Lincolnshire Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that she had never seen anything like this before.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	23 November 2007 10.45L



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**Section 40**

Shrewsbury  
Shropshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
15 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 12 November 2007, 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 12 November 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING



1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	12 November 2007 21.50L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A series of lights in a circle that had an inner circle. They were on three levels. There were fifteen lights outside of the outer circle. They were dim, because of cloud cover.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, walking down Welshpool Road, after coming out of a Supermarket.
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 lights were seen over Shrewsbury in Shropshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	A few feet away, and as high as a really tall tree.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving clockwise for five seconds and then changed to anti-clockwise and then back to clockwise, which helped push them along the sky.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	It was quite cloudy, so the lights were dimmer than what they could have been on a clear night.

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] Shrewsbury Shropshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 was fascinated by the lights and thought that she had better report her sighting. She followed the lights for over twenty minutes and then gave up and went home as they were still there. They were definitely not laser lights as they kept moving, and she had never seen anything like that before.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	15 November 2007 10.45L

No reply,  
as full address  
not given.



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St Andrews Fife Scotland KY16 0JX



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## REPORT ON AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

1.	Date, Time and Duration of Sighting: 10 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2007 DURATION 5 MINUTES 2020L
2.	Description of Object (No. of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, sound, smell etc): 1 BRIGHT RED LIGHT, QUITE LARGE, NO SOUND
3.	Exact Position when Observed (Geographical location, Indoors / Outdoors, Stationary / Moving): OUTSIDE HIS FARMHOUSE JUST OUTSIDE LADYBANK, STANDING STILL. Fife.
4.	How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, Still or Movie Camera/VCR): NAKED EYE
5.	Direction in which object was first seen (possibly with reference to a landmark): FIRST SEEN ABOVE AUCHTERMUCHTY
6.	Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable): NOT SURE.
7.	Distance (with reference to a landmark if possible): UNKNOWN
8.	Movements (changes in 6, 7 and 8 may be better than estimates of heading and speed): Flew fm AUCHTERMUCHTY → OVERHEAD LADYBANK, HOVERED FOR 5MINS BEFORE HEADING EAST TOWARD LEUCHARS THEN GRADUALLY GAINING HEIGHT + VANISHING

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9.	Weather (moving clouds, visibility) : CLEAR SKIES, VISIBILITY GOOD
10.	Nearby Objects (Telephone / power lines, lakes, rivers, high structures, airfields, generating plants, factories, pits or other sites with floodlights or night lights) : LIVES IN A FARMHOUSE ON A FIELD. TELEPHONE LINES RUN AROUND THE FIELD
11.	To whom reported (Rank / Name / Place of Work / Contact No) : SAC Section 40, AIR TRAFFIC LEUCHARS, Section 40
12.	Name, Address & Telephone No. of Informant: Section 40 DID NOT WANT TO LEAVE HIS ADDRESS
13.	Any background on Informant that may be volunteered: N/A
14.	Other Witnesses: HIS WIFE
15.	Date & Time of Receipt of Report: 2030Z 10 NOVEMBER 2007
16.	Is a reply requested? NO, HE CALLED ONLY TO GIVE US INFORMATION

NOTES:

- Members of the public who submit reports should be informed that the information has been passed to the Ministry of Defence.
- Sightings by Service personnel and action taken as a result of civilian sightings must not be disclosed to members of the Press who, if they make enquiries, should be referred to the Ministry of Defence.
- A routine unclassified signal, or Fax (Ext Section 40) should be sent to the Ministry of Defence, London (for the attention of MOD Sec(AS)2A). The format of the signal is as set out in this report proforma. The signal SIC is z6f
- Contact MOD Sec (AS) 2A as soon as possible at MOD Main Building 9621 82140 or Fax Section 40

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**Section 40**

Choppington  
Northumberland

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

14 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen in November 2007, 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.' Sorry if I have made a mistake with your address. The answerphone was not very clear.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings in Northumberland in 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.



Yours sincerely

Section 40

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

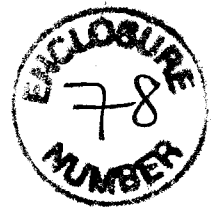


1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 04.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A white, pencil line of very bright lights. They were as bright as flash bulbs, and bathed the whole sky in light for what seemed like miles.
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 lights were going over Choppington in Northumberland.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	The lights were about 400/500 yards away and then it looked like they were moving nearer to the village, the witness lives in.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were going quite slow 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)	The local police and then a message was left on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Choppington Northumberland</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	The neighbours witnessed the lights too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said that the police were not interested when he informed them of his sighting.</p> <p>After a few minutes of watching the lights, they exploded without noise, (was like a million flash bulbs in the sky), and all the house alarms in the village went off and the power to the houses went down. It took three days for the power in the village to be up and running.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	14 November 2007 11.20L



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**Section 40**

Poulton le Fylde  
Lancashire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

14 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 13 November 2007, 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 13 November 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	13 November 2007 21.40L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright, white light.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
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 light was flying over Poulton le Fylde, Lancashire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The light was moving in a North Easterly direction, on a slow even course.
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 Poulton le Fylde Lancashire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	His wife.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the white light was about 2000ft up in the sky.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	14 November 2007 11.15L



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**Section 40**

Wilmington  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
5 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 3 November 2007, 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 3 November 2007, and that was from Stanfields in Staffordshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING



1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	3 November 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Eight flying saucers were flying in a line.
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 saucers were seen over Joyden's Wood in Kent.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The saucers were moving slowly 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] Wilmington Kent Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Section 40 husband and her grandchildren.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 November 2007 14.10L



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



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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Stoke on Trent  
Staffordshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

5 November 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 3 November 2007, 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 3 November 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	3 November 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were eight small discs moving in a formation.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, outside the witnesses 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.)	The discs were seen over Stanfields in Staffordshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving quite slow 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)	The sighting was reported to Staffordshire Police who in turn rang DAS answerphone and left a message.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> Stoke on Trent Staffordshire <div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Some neighbours saw the sighting too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<div style="background-color: black; color: red; padding: 2px;">Section 40</div> said that the sighting was very strange. That it definitely was not a firework, a plane or a helicopter.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 November 2007 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Bonnyrigg  
Midlothian

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

30 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in October 2007, the details of which you passed to Midlothian Police. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for Bonnyrigg in 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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## REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 05.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Sixty lights were seen going over Bonnyrigg. Some were red and some were blue. Thirty of the lights then changed to an orange colour. The lights were in a triangle formation.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, didn't say where.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye. <b>Section 40</b> tried to take a photo with his mobile phone, but it didn't come out very well.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were seen going over the town of Bonnyrigg, Midlothian.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were moving very fast.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	It was quite clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Midlothian Police, who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone and asked DAS to ring them back.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] Bonnyrigg Midlothian Section 40 [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	A friend.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 [REDACTED] said the lights made a triangle formation, were there a few more seconds and then disappeared out of sight. There was absolutely no noise coming from the lights. Thought that he had better report the sighting.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	23 October 2007 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Sheffield  
South Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
29 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 28 October 2007, the details of which you passed to the Ministry of Defence. 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 28 October 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**





Section 40

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 29 October 2007 14:08  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:** FW: UFO REPORT

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 29 October 2007 14:05  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:**

Section 40

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Sheffield

Section 40

28/10/2007 9:45pm

Driving back from a chess class last night, in the Kiverton area of Rotherham, when he saw a bright triangular light/object in the sky. 1 Flashing strobe light and 12 fixed lights beneath it. Object was stationary at first then it moved directly above him. He stopped the car to observe it. Object was high up bur huge. It then flew off into the distance but there was no sound.

Told him I would pass it on to you.

Section 40

Directorate of Airstaff (Lower Airspace)

29/10/2007

Complaints & Enquiries Unit

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RAF LOSSIEMOUTH

(No reply, as no address)



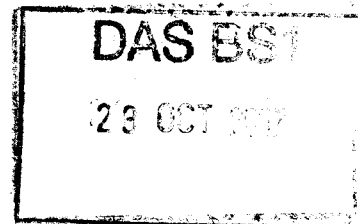
REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

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

Date: 16 Oct 07

Time: 0545L

Duration: /



**B. Description of Object**

Number: 1

Size: Larger than a star

Shape: Orb shaped

Colours: Purple and Green with bubbles, flames & solar flares coming out of it.

Brightness: Very bright.

Sound: Nil

Smell: Nil

**C. Exact Position of Observer**

Geographical Location: On the Black Isle

Indoors/Outdoors: Outdoors

Stationary/Moving: Stationary

**D. How Object was Observed**

Naked Eye:

Binoculars: Telescope

Still/Video Camera:

**E. Direction in Which Object was first seen**

Looking East from above location

**F. Angle of Sight**

Not given

G. Distance

Not given.

H. Movement of Object

Nil

J. Met Conditions during Observation

Moving Clouds: Clear Sky

Haze:

Mist:

K. Nearby Objects or Buildings etc

Passed over local farms Non given

L. To Whom Reported

Police:

Press:

Military Organisation: RAF LOSSIEMOUTH MAIN GUARDROOM - CPL

Section 40

Airport:

M. Name and Address of Informant

Name: Section 40

Address: MOB Section 40

N. Any Background of the Informant that may be Volunteered

NIL

O. Other Witnesses

NON

P. Date and Time of Receipt of Report

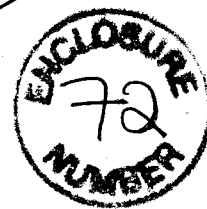
Date: 16 OCT 07

Time 0550L

Possibly Northern Lights

Section 40

(No reply,  
as full address  
not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Two UFOs were seen 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.)	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 UFOs were seen over Ramsgate, Kent.
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 Ramsgate Kent
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said he would like us to call him back, but left no number.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 October 2007 10.50L

(No reply as full address not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 17.50L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Two UFOs were seen flying across the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, didn't say where.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and photographs were taken.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The UFOs were seen over Ramsgate Harbour, Kent.
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 Ramsgate Kent
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 says that he has photographs of the incident if we wanted to see them, but didn't leave full address or a telephone number!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	22 October 2007 10.30L





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**Section 40**

Droitwich  
Worcestershire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
18 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 6 October 2007, the details of which you reported to NATS. 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 6 October 2007, one was from Uckfield, East Sussex and the other from Trowbridge, Wiltshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Reports

DAS BS1  
16 OCT 2007

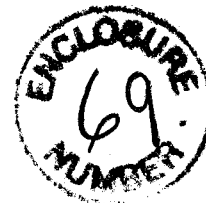
Report of Unidentified Flying Object	
Date	6/10/07
Time	2144Z
Sighting Duration	5 MINUTES.
Description of Object	7-8 SPHERICAL
Exact Position of Observer	FRONT DOORSTEP
How Object was Observed	VISUALLY / CAMCORDER
Direction in which Object was First Seen	EASTERLY DIRECTION
Angular Elevation of Object	
Distance of Object from Observer	UNKNOWN
Movement of Object	IN STRAIGHT LINE
Meteorological Conditions During Observations	CLEAR SKIES.
Nearby Objects	NONE
To Whom Reported	LOCAL POLICE
Name of Informant	Section 40 [REDACTED]
Address of Informant	Section 40 [REDACTED] DROITWICH WORCS. Section 40 [REDACTED]
Background Information on Informant that may be Volunteered	NONE
Other Witnesses	NEARBY RESIDENT.



Date of Receipt of Report	7/10/07	
Time of Receipt of Report	0910Z	
	Actions	Time
	Complete report of UFO with as many details as possible and send to FOI1	0910Z ✓
	Telephone details immediately and leave a message on 0207 218 2140.	0915Z ✓



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**Section 40**

Trowbridge  
Wiltshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

18 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 6 October 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to the MOD. 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 6 October 2007, one was from Uckfield, East Sussex and the other from Droitwich, Worcestershire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: feedback@www.mod.uk  
Sent: 07 October 2007 12:13  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Sunday, October 7, 2007 at 12:12:55

txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: Section 40 bridge

txtstatecountry: Wiltshire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: Just before 10pm, 6 Oct 2007 - for several minutes

txtrequest: Hello,

Last night I saw (my mum witnessed them too) the strangest lights ever, in the sky. Would anyone know what these might be? I saw a white bright light below - like a flash, and a brightness in the sky, so I thought maybe there were fireworks, and my eyes were drawn to an area of the sky many metres above a tree, not far from where the bright light was, I think above fields. Maybe around cloud level. There were maybe about 20 flickering lights, all orangey colour. I don't know if they had just appeared, or were there before I saw them. Spaced fairly evenly, with a cluster to the right, and a long-ish tail of several of them, to the left. They pulsed and flickered in the sky - maybe about 1/4 mile away (as the crow flies) from where I was standing. My mum also witnessed them. I thought maybe they were some kind of firework, but I don't know of any which just stay in the sky and flicker for several minutes. They didn't fall at all. I can't imagine they were balloons of any kind,

as they would float and move in the air. They faded, and then disappeared, in the same spot, all more or less at the same time. Are there fireworks or military flares like that? What could it be? UFO's? The night was totally still, and slightly hazy, and the orange flickering lights were bright. I didn't hear any sound at all. They stayed in the same formation for the several minutes I was watching them. They were fairly evenly spaced.

Would you know where I could report these, if it isn't military? Would you know what it could be?

Also, about a year ago, I did see one very strange object in the sky, at night, darting around - I thought it was a star, but unlike the stars, it was zig-zagging around, and darting around at enormous speed. Definitely not a helicopter - far too fast, and the movement was too sharp. Most definitely not a plane (as I know it). It zoomed off and disappeared into the sky - further from the Earth, I presume. Very strange indeed. I'm afraid I can't give an exact date for that one.

I would be interested to hear if you know of anything which was in the skies last night.

Thank you.





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**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Sunderland  
Tyne and Wear

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**  
[Redacted]

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in October 2007, 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 West Dulwich in London in 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**  
[Redacted]

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Seen in October 2007. (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Just said a sighting of 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.)	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 UFO was seen over West Dulwich, London.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far 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 Sunderland Tyne and Wear Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he would like us to get back to him about his sighting.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 October 2007 11.15L



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



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**Section 40**

Uckfield  
East Sussex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

9 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 6 October 2007, 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 October 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	6 October 2007 21.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Sixty orange glowing lights were seen, going across the sky in a trail.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, in his garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and with a camcorder.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were seen going over Uckfield, East Sussex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite near.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were going across the sky quite slowly.
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>Uckfield East Sussex Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	<p>Section 40 wife and children, who were out in the garden too.</p>
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said it was a strange sight, and that there seemed to be planes flying near the -lights too.</p> <p>Section 40 wonders if we have had any other reports of this sighting reported to this office.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 October 2007 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Stoke-on-Trent  
Staffordshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

2 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 30 September 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to the MOD. 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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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**From:** **Section 40**  
**Sent:** 02 October 2007 10:41  
**To:** **Section 40**  
**Subject:** FW: Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05996/2007  
**Attachments:** TO05996 2007 - 20071002103617 - **Section 40**.txt

Claims it's a UFO – over to you....

**From:** Parli Branch-Treat-Official  
**Sent:** 02 October 2007 10:37  
**To:** DAS-Sec; Low Flying  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05996/2007

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE - TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY**

**To:** DAS Sec  
**Copy To:**  
**Our Reference:** TO05996/2007  
**Due Date:** 22 October 2007  
**Correspondent:** **Section 40**

The Rt Hon Des Browne MP has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department.

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Regards,

**MOD Parliamentary Branch  
Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

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e: [ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk](mailto:ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk)

To05996 2007 - 20071002103617 - Section 40

From: feedback@www.mod.uk  
Sent: 30 September 2007 23:43  
To: Ministers  
Subject: Ask a Minister

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Sunday, September 30, 2007 at 23:43:16

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtsubject: ufo

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: stoke on trent

txtstatecountry: staffordshire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txtcountry: United Kingdom

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtrequest: what is flying over our country on 30/9.07 at 9.45 which i saw. Five objects travelling at speed

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**Section 40**

Weston-super-Mare  
Somerset

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
1 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to the two reports of UFO sightings you sent to this office, for the years 1971 and 1987. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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With regard to the sightings, they have been noted, and shall be placed on our files.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

(Two reports) ✓

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**From:** Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying  
**Sent:** 01 October 2007 11:58  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:** FW: Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05967/2007  
**Attachments:** TO05967 2007 - 20071001111338 - UFO Research Association.tif

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Thought you might like this!!!

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MAIN BUILDING  
WHITEHALL  
LONDON SW1A 2HB

Section 40

**From:** Parli Branch-Treat-Official  
**Sent:** 01 October 2007 11:14  
**To:** DAS-Sec; Low Flying  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05967/2007

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE - TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY**

**To:** DAS Sec  
**Copy To:**  
**Our Reference:** TO05967/2007 ✓  
**Due Date:** 19 October 2007  
**Correspondent:** Section 40

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Regards,

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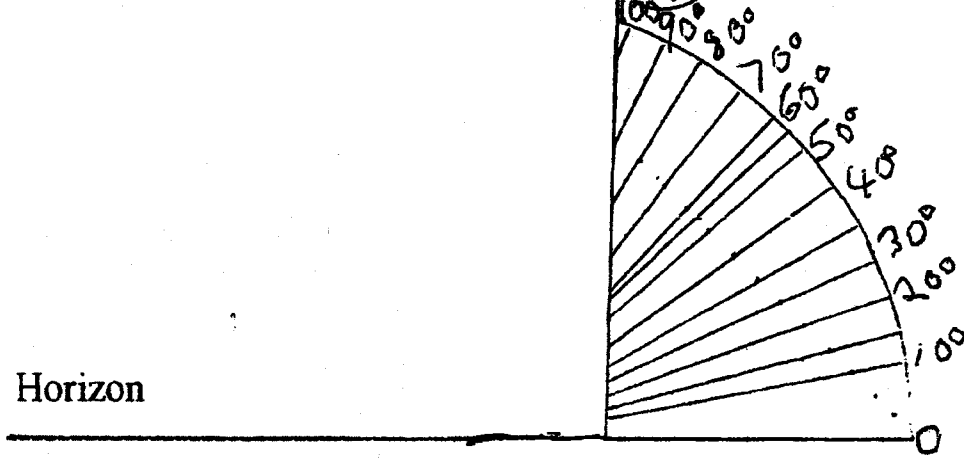
**WEST COUNTRY**  
**UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS**  
**RESEARCH ASSOCIATION**

INV/REF IV/PF/XZ Report No 100

DATE & TIME of UFO Sighting WINTER 1971 7.30pm

Number of Objects 1 Sound (if any) Yes/No Circle  
Colour DARK Shape CIRCULAR Brightness INDIVIDUAL LIGHTS  
Outline/Hazy/Sharp/Defined/Circle Defined  
Did the Object change Shape? Yes/No Circle (if yes, please give details) .....

Did the Object appear to be Solid or not? Yes/No Circle



At what angle and Degrees from Horizon did you first observe the Object(s) (see diagram above) 60  
At what Compass point were you when first observing Object(s) DONT KNOW  
Which Compass point was the one compared to your position .....

If the Positions changed at all during sightings, please give details of last object seen .....

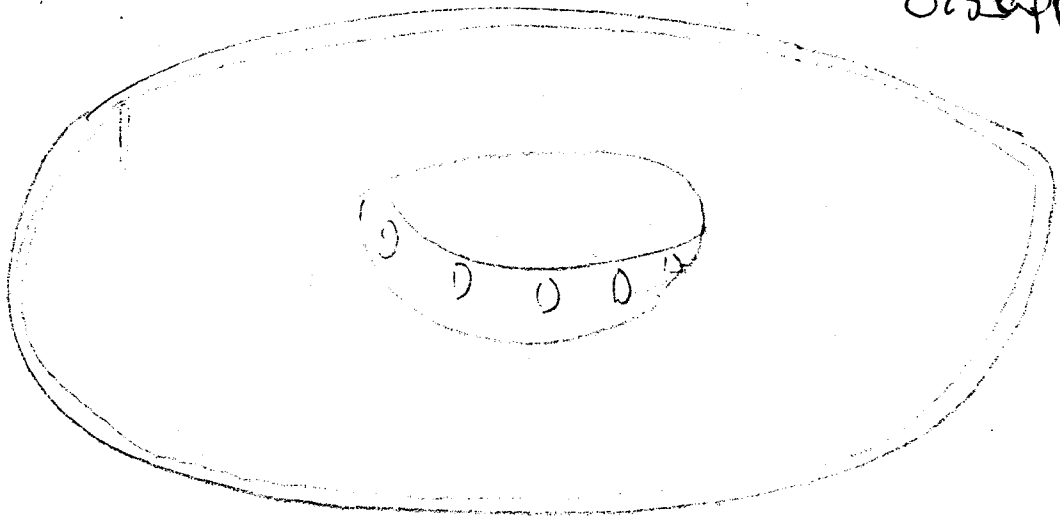
Length/Duration of UFO Sighting 30-40 SECONDS  
Any other witnesses YES  
Did you give - Details to Police/Press/Neighbours/Other NO  
Do you have any objection to your name being used in conjunction with this report? Yes/No Circle  
Are you familiar with Aircraft/Sat Etc Yes/No Circle



PLEASE WOULD YOU WRITE YOUR STATEMENT BELOW.  
DO NOT WRITE ANYTHING YOU ARE NOT SURE OF OR CANNOT REMEMBER.

I was travelling along a urban road on the outskirts of Birmingham with my girl friend. We stopped at a road junction intending to turn left. I noticed something above the roof tops of the houses opposite. It was a dark circular object tilted at about 60° towards the ground. There was a glow on the top of the saucer shape and it had seven lights around the edge. There was no noise. We watched for about 30 seconds then it started to move slowly to the side (to our left) we turned left into the road to follow it. Then it suddenly disappeared

DIAGRAM OF OBJECT/S.



NAME AND ADDRESS  
Section 40  
MR/MRS  
40. Section 40

TELEPHONE NO.  
USUAL SIGNATURE  
DATE

W.C.U.F.O.R.A.



Summary Report No. 411



In witnesses own words. **Section 40**  
✓  
Weston Super Mare, Avon. Telephone (**Section 40**) at approximately 3.20 pm (1520 hours) on 11/6/87 I observed a (white/silver object) at about 4 miles in a Easterly, South Easterly direction from my front room window which is in a Westerly direction from the Mendips hills etc.

The object appeared to be solid and Hozy (sharply). The object seem to be hovering just above the Mendips Hills area behind Banwell village. As mentioned the object was silver/white in colour. Size not known. Object length of sighting was 3 to 4 minutes. Degree above horizon (1o to 0o) degree. Sound was not known as object too far away to say. At time the object seemed to get brighter then vanished behind trees of the Mendip area. As mentioned it appeared to land.

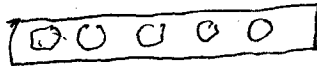
Summary by: **Section 40**  
**Section 40** WCUFORA

now at -

**Section 40**

Somerset

AS BELOW A UFO NEAR/LANDING



WATER

10 FOOT APPROX LAKE

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AS ABOVE A UFO N/L ISOLATED REPORT WITNESSED BY THREE  
PEOPLE



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**Section 40**

Solihull  
West Midlands

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

1 October 2007

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for Solihull, West Midlands in 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	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.)	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 Solihull West Midlands Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	27 September 2007 10.30L

(No reply,  
as full address  
not given).



### REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	23 September 2007 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, didn't say where.
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.)	Just said seen over Staffordshire.
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>	Name and address not given.  Staffordshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	A man just said could <del>someone</del> get back to him, but then didn't leave any name, address or telephone number!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	25 September 2007 10.30L

(no reply,  
as full  
address not  
given).



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1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen.
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 seen over Stretton, Burton-on-Trent in Staffordshire.
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)	The UFO was reported to Cannock Road, Staffordshire Police, who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	(No name and full address given). <b>Section 40</b> Burton-on-Trent Staffordshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 September 2007 11.55L

(No reply, as full address not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 20.55L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Four orange lights were seen crossing the sky. There was a gap, and then three more lights followed. The lights continued to display the orange colour as they moved.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, didn't say where.
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 lights were seen over Shrewsbury in Shropshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were moving at quite a fast rate, at a level flight, moving to the West.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	The sighting was reported to Shropshire Police who left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Name and full address not given.  Shrewsbury Shropshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	A few other people saw the object too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The person thought he should inform someone in authority.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 September 2007 11.40L





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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Mossley  
Lancashire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
25 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 22 September 2007, 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 22 September 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	22 September 2007 09.10L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen.
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 seen over Mossley, Lancashire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far 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)	<b>Section 40</b> reported the sighting to his local police and they in turn gave him the DAS answerphone number.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> Mossley Lancashire <b>Section 40</b>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> said that the UFO was very strange and that he would like someone to ring him.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	24 September 2007 11.15L



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

Camden  
London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
25 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 20 September 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to the MOD. 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 20 September 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40



From: feedback@www.mod.uk  
Sent: 21 September 2007 13:52  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Friday, September 21, 2007 at 13:51:52

txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Camden

txttowncity: London

txtstatecountry: United Kingdom

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: 2345 hrs : 20.9.07

txtrequest: I am not sure if the MOD is the right organisation to contact but I had a sighting of unusual lights in the sky on the night of Wed 20 September at approx 2345 hrs. There were two large pairs of lights rushing towards eachother consistently over a large area in the sky over Camden Town, North West London. There were no beams of light (as in say lasers) and no sound (as in lights from a helicopter). It was quite bizarre and I wondered if there was an explanation for this?

*Police ✓*



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**Section 40**

Broadstairs  
Kent

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
18 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 15 September 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to the MOD. 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 September 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying  
Sent: 18 September 2007 13:35  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: Low Flying Complaints

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 16 September 2007 11:20  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at 11:20:04

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: Broadstairs

txtstatecountry: Kent

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: United Kingdom

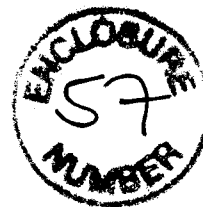
txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: 20.47 Saturday 15/09/2007

txtrequest: Unusual sighting of 6 orange/red glowing lights flying off shore around Stone Bay area of Broadstairs. Heading approx NNE until north of North Foreland lighthouse then turning to more NE before fading. Appeared to be in linear formation with regular spacing flying at normal helicopter height/speed but silent. Two witnesses - middle-aged teachers (one ex-RAF officer) used to observing normal aircraft movement. Watched for 5 minutes. Perfect visibility. Phoned ATC KIA Manston but no reply - left message. ATC probably not manned at that time.  
Explanation please!



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**Section 40**

Kirkby Mallory  
Leicestershire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
18 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 12 September 2007, the details of which you e.mailed 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.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 12 September 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying  
Sent: 14 September 2007 20:08  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: Low Flying Complaints

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 12 September 2007 19:30  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at 19:29:36

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Kirkby Mallory

txttowncity: Leicesterhsire

txtstatecountry: Leicestershire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: <sup>1st sepe -</sup> 17.30/17.32

txtrequest: Very low flying object flew over the 'perimeter road' on the outskirts of HINCKLEY at 17.32 approx.

Please could you contact me with details as to the nature of the large object, and why it was moving so fast and low at 17.32.

Many other people saw this aswell, as it was rush hour.

Kind Regards

Section 40



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**Section 40**

Bath  
Somerset

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
13 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 9 September 2007, 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 9 September 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely  
**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	9 September 2007 01.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object looked like a low flying cloud, but there was a light flashing 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.)	The object was flying over Bath, Somerset.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	The object was moving at a 100 ft above ground level.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving slowly 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>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Bath</p> <p>Somerset</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said that he thought it may have been some experiment that the students at Bath University had done. He knows that he generally saw something strange that he can't explain and wondered if we could shed some light on this, as he has never seen anything like this before. He pondered for quite a while if he should report it to us or not, and then thought perhaps that he should inform us of his sighting.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	<p>13 September 2007</p> <p>11.00L</p>



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**Section 40**

Wootton Bassett  
Wiltshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
11 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 5 September 2007, the details of which you passed to Low flying. 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 5 September 2007, and that was from Wroughton, Wiltshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

**UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING REPORT**

LYN 057 / 07

Elicit as many details from the caller as possible using the list of questions then dispose of as Low Flying/Noise Complaints

1	<b>Date &amp; Time of Sighting</b>	5 SEP 1940 L A SEP
	<b>Duration of Sighting</b>	2 mins
2	<b>Description of Object: No of objects</b>	1
	size	small aircraft
	shape	ARCED
	colour	
	brightness	10-12 white light.
	did it make any noise?	No
3	<b>Exact position of observer: (In/Outdoor)</b>	Indoors
	(stationary/moving)	moving
4	<b>How observed:</b> Naked eye/binos/camera/other optical device	
5	<b>In what direction was the object first seen</b> A landmark may be of better use than a rough bearing	LYENHAM → SW NOON OVER UPPER BASSETT.
6	<b>Angle of sighting from horizon (estimated hts are unreliable)</b>	30°
7	<b>Distance</b> Reference to a landmark helps	
8	<b>Movement of object</b> (changes in 5,6 and 7 above may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	constant
9	<b>Weather conditions during observation</b> haze or mist, moving cloud	cloudy, drizzle
10	<b>Nearby objects</b> Telephone/power lines/floodlights Water features (river/lake/dam/reservoir/marsh High buildings / chimneys / steeples / masts Other: Airfields/factories/pits/power stations Other plant using floodlighting	Nil
11	<b>To whom reported apart from us</b>	Nil
12	<b>Informer's Name</b>	Section 40
13	<b>Informer's Address:</b> Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire.	Section 40
		Section 40
		Section 40
14	<b>Witness Names/Tels</b>	Section 40
	<b>Informer's Tel No.</b>	Section 40
15	<b>Any other details volunteered</b>	
16	<b>Date/time of this report</b>	5 SEP 1900Z
17	<b>Remarks about informer by person taking call:</b> Slightly embarrassed - Not to keen on providing address. Seemed fairly normal.	

Annotate a LYN no. and fax the form directly to MOD:

FAXED 10/09/07

Tel GPTN Section 40

FAX GPTN Section 40

PSTN Section 40

Annotate the form "FAXED" with the date.



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**Section 40**

Wroughton  
Nr Swindon  
Wiltshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

11 September 2007

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 5 September 2007, and that was from Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

**UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING REPORT**

LYN 049/07 ✓

Elicit as many details from the caller as possible using the list of questions then dispose of as Low Flying/Noise Complaints

1	<b>Date &amp; Time of Sighting</b>	5 Sep 1955
	<b>Duration of Sighting</b>	5-6 mins
2	<b>Description of Object: No of objects</b>	1
	size	
	shape	a bit like something re-entering orbit
	colour	
	brightness	
	did it make any noise?	No
3	<b>Exact position of observer: (In/Outdoor)</b>	Outside
	(stationary/moving)	stationary
4	<b>How observed:</b> Naked eye/binos/camera/other optical device	
5	<b>In what direction was the object first seen</b> A landmark may be of better use than a rough bearing	West
6	<b>Angle of sighting from horizon (estimated hts are unreliable)</b>	10°
7	<b>Distance</b> Reference to a landmark helps	Space (?)
8	<b>Movement of object</b> (changes in 5,6 and 7 above may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)	Slow (observed by cloud partly)
9	<b>Weather conditions during observation</b> haze or mist, moving cloud	cloudy
10	<b>Nearby objects</b> Telephone/power lines/floodlights Water features (river/lake/dam/reservoir/marsh) High buildings / chimneys / steeples / masts Other: Airfields/factories/pits/power stations Other plant using floodlighting	Nil
11	<b>To whom reported apart from us</b>	No one
12	<b>Informer's Name</b>	Mr Dean (Ex Malm)
13	<b>Informer's Address:</b> Wiltshire. Wroughton nr Swindon Section 40	14 <b>Witness Names/Tels</b>
	<b>Informer's Tel No.</b>	
15	<b>Any other details volunteered</b>	
16	<b>Date/time of this report</b>	5 Sep 1955 5:30
17	<b>Remarks about informer by person taking call:</b> Sceptical Ex Malm.	

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faxed 10/09/07

Tel GPTN Section 40

FAX GPTN Section 40

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**Section 40**

Epsom  
Surrey

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in September 2007, 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 September 2007, from Epsom in Surrey. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 20.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There were about 25 large, extremely bright orange lights in the sky, with one bigger light behind the rest.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	<b>Section 40</b> was inside her car, driving towards Epsom, Surrey.
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 lights were seen over Epsom in Surrey.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights then moved Westwards in the direction of Heathrow Airport. After five minutes of going in that direction, the lights got smaller and smaller and then they just 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.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>Epsom Surrey Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	A young man that had stopped his car too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>When Section 40 stopped the car to take a better look, she noticed a young man had stopped too, and was taking a picture of the lights on his mobile phone. He said to Section 40, they were strange and showed her the picture that he had taken. She said you could roughly see the lights on it.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 September 2007 10.50L



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

Derby  
Derbyshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in 2007, 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 from Aston-on-Trent in Derbyshire in 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Orange/yellowy lights, that seemed to be coming down from the sky. They were fluorescent orange, like street lamps. There was no noise.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outside, in front of her 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.)	The lights were seen over Aston on Trent, Derbyshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	They were not too high up in the sky.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were gliding across the sky. They then stopped, started fading and then disappeared.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	There was no cloud, so the sky was clear and you could see many stars.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 rang her local police, who then in turn forwarded our number to her.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 [Redacted] Derby . Derbyshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Section 40 rang some of her neighbours, who then in turn also saw the lights.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 wonders if we know what the lights could have been. She said that is was a really weird sight. Her neighbours also thought the lights were strange.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	10 September 2007 10.40L



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**Section 40**

Denton  
Grantham  
Lincolnshire **Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 3 September 2007, the details of which you passed to RAF Waddington. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 3 September 2007, and that was from Rotherham in South Yorkshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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To: DAS	Fax Number: Section 40		
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Signature:	Signature: Section 40

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# UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT

1	Date and time of receipt.	Sun SEP 07 14:30pm
2	Date and time of sighting of UFO.	3rd SEP 07 10:00pm
3	How long did you observe the UFO for?	5 seconds
4	What were the weather conditions during the sighting?	Cloudy, dark
5	Where were you when you observed the UFO?	At home, upstairs
6	Did you observe the UFO with the naked eye or any optical device?	Naked eye
7	In what direction in relation to you did you observe the UFO? Landmarks would be useful.	East to West
8	Was the UFO stationary?	No
8A	IF NO What direction was the UFO moving in? Again landmarks would be useful.	East to west over Denton Reservoir near Grantham
9	Were there any significant objects nearby, for example, Power Lines.	Grantham Reservoir, Belvoir Castle Harlaxton manor
10	Were there any other witnesses? (Name and address on back of form)	No
11	Have you informed the civil authorities or the press? IF YES WHOM.	No
12	Name and address of informer.	<p style="background-color: black; color: red; margin: 0;">Section 40</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: red; margin: 0;">[REDACTED]</p> <p>DENTON, GRANTHAM LINCOLNSHIRE Section 40 TEL- Section 40</p>
13	Any other details we have not covered?	<p>*A similar sighting was also seen in April.</p> <p>*TEN MINUTES AFTER THE SIGHTING Section 40 BELIEVES HE SAW AN RAF AIRCRAFT</p> <p>*Section 40 ALSO SAW AN OBJECT SIMILAR TEN YEARS AGO AND A NEIGHBOUR SAW ONE TWENTY YEARS AGO.</p>

\*THE OBJECT WAS ALWAYS MOVING/ GLIDING/ MOVING- ON ALL FOUR OCCASIONS.

\*THE OBJECT IS CIGAR SHAPED WITH FLASHING LIGHTS.



Section 40

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 06 September 2007 14:19  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

Thank you for your e.mail dated 4 September 2007, regarding your UFO sighting.

You will already know the Ministry of Defence's policy on 'UFO's due to previous correspondence.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 4 September 2007 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.

Finally, your e.mail with the photograph has been put on our files.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

MOD  
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London  
SW1A 2HB

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Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 04 September 2007 22:53  
To: Section 40  
Subject: Re: UFO Sighting.

I need to mention another report from about ten minute ago at 10:50pm tonight.  
Heres the photo about six helicopters seemed to fly in its direction as it flared n vanished.



Section 40  
Photojournalist  
Section 40 Photography Website



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**Section 40**

Burton on Trent  
Staffordshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 21 June 2007, 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 21 June 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying  
Sent: 06 September 2007 10:41  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: Low Flying Complaints

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 04 September 2007 20:42  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 at 20:41:46

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txtfirstname: Section 40  
txtlastname: Section 40  
txtaddress1: Section 40  
txtaddress2: Section 40  
txttowncity: Burton on Trent  
txtstatecountry: Staffordshire  
txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40  
txttelephone: Section 40  
txtcountry: UK  
txtemailAddress: Section 40  
txtincident: Thursday 21st June, circa 00:45 am  
txtrequest: Hi there,

I realise this enquiry is some time since the incident and you must get a lot of this type of report but I don't know where else to contact for a sensible reply!

I was standing out in my back garden late at night smoking a cigarette when something in my peripheral vision caught my eye almost directly above me. Moving at very high speeds were what appeared to be two glowing bright lights. The movement of the objects was comparable to a racing car snaking to keep tyres warm. I was able to watch them for 6 or 7 seconds before they had disappeared from view over the horizon to the south.

If it wasn't for the changing of directions I'd have assumed these were just parts of a meteor burning up over some distance in the atmosphere. However they did appear to be controlled.

Are you able to identify these objects or has anyone else reported any similar sightings? Obviously sensitive information cannot be divulged to members of the public but I'd really appreciate a response if you are able to assist.

Many thanks,

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**Section 40**

Rugby  
Warwickshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 1 September 2007, 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 'UFO' sighting reports from Alton, Hampshire and one from Silver Bay in the Isle of Anglesey for 1 September 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

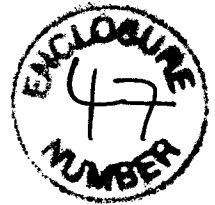
1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	1 September 2007 21.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Six, strange lights which were yellow, but had orange in the centre.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
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 lights were seen over Rugby, Warwickshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	In the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving in a staggered formation across the sky, below the cloud base.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	DAS anwerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Rugby Warwickshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the sight was amazing and that he would like to know if we had any other reports for the same area on the same day.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 September 2007 10.30L





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**Section 40**

Hastings  
East Sussex

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in 2007, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

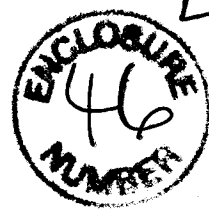
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	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.)	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 UFO was seen over Hastings, East Sussex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far.
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 Hastings East Sussex Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said it was an amazing sight and thought that he had better report it to us.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	4 September 2007 11.30L

(No reply,  
as street  
name/no.  
not given)



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	3 September 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	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.)	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 UFO was seen over Rotherham, South Yorkshire.
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 (No Street name given) Rotherham South Yorkshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The caller said that the sight was extraordinary, but did not give any other details.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	4 September 2007 11.45L



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**Section 40**

Perth  
Tayside

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

3 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 31 August 2007, the details of which you passed to the Tayside 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 one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 1 September 2007, and that was also from the Dunkeld area in Perthshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

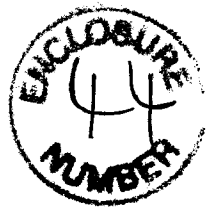
1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	31 August 2007 22.19
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A number of orange lights in the sky.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Not given.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	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 lights were seen over the Dunkeld area in Perthshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were very low and fast in 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)	The Tayside Police who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Perth Tayside Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	3 September 2007 11.10L





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Tayside

**Section 40**

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Our Reference:

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Date:

3 September 2007

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a ‘UFO’ sighting for 1 September 2007, and that was also from the Dunkeld area in Perthshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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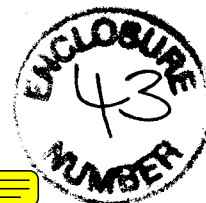
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	31 August 2007 22.18L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Orange lights seen 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.)	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 lights were seen over the Dunkeld area in Perthshire.
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)	The Tayside Police, who then in turn left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Perth Tayside Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	3 September 2007 11.05L

(No reply as full address not given).



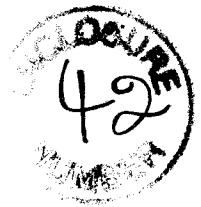
**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	1 September 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Sixty to two hundred objects seen moving across 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.)	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 objects were seen over Alton in Hampshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far away.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving at a steady pace.
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>Full address not given.</p> <p>Alton Hampshire Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	<p>His children who were really frightened. Section 40 asked us to ring him back that night – Saturday to explain the objects and to put his mind and his children’s at rest.</p>
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 said that he was worried by seeing the objects, and the fact that he couldn’t explain to his children what they were. Would like us to ring him back and tell him what they all saw, but then gave a phone number with a digit out.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	<p>3 September 2007 11.00L</p>



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



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**Section 40**

Rhoscolyn  
Isle of Anglesey

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

3 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 1 September 2007, 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 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 the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received two other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 1 September 2007, and they were both from Alton in Hampshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help in explaining to you as to what the object could be.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

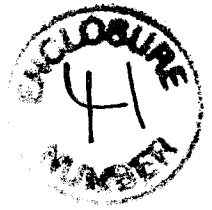
1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	1 September 2007 22.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	The object looked like a brightly coloured aircraft.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, 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 seen over Silver Bay in the Isle of Anglesey.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	In the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving 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>	<b>Section 40</b> [Redacted] Rhoscolyn Isle of Anglesey <b>Section 40</b> <b>Section 40</b>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> would like an explanation as to what the object could have been.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	3 September 2007 10.45L





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**Section 40**

Alton  
Hampshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

3 September 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 1 September 2007, 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 1 September 2007, and one was also from Alton in Hampshire and the second one was from Silver Bay in the Isle of Anglesey. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	1 September 2007 21.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Seventeen objects were seen. They looked round, (totally circular) and solid and were a bright orange colour. They were moving in a group, in an elongated shape, but not in a main formation. There was no noise.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, but didn't say where.
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 objects were seen over Alton in Hampshire, to the North West.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far away and very high up.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	<b>Section 40</b> said that they were moving at a constant speed.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	The weather was dry and the sky was clear of cloud.

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now thinks that his sighting was Chinese lanterns).

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Alton Hampshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Section 40 wife.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said the sky was very dark and there was no moon, and so these objects stood out clearly as they were a very bright orange. The objects covered the sky for several miles. It was a very graphic sight and a sight to be beheld.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	3 September 2007 10.30L



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**Section 40**

Blairgowrie  
Perthshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
29 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 17 August 2007, the details of which you e.mailed 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.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 17 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**From:** **Section 40** on behalf of Low Flying  
**Sent:** 29 August 2007 13:57  
**To:** **Section 40**  
**Subject:** FW: Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05347/2007  
**Attachments:** TO05347 2007 - 20070829133958 **Section 40**.t

**Section 40**

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



**From:** Parli Branch-Treat-Official  
**Sent:** 29 August 2007 13:40  
**To:** DAS-Sec; Low Flying  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: Treat Official Correspondence: TO05347/2007

**TREAT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE - TO BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY**

**To:** DAS Sec  
**Copy To:**  
**Our Reference:** TO05347/2007  
**Due Date:** 18 September 2007  
**Correspondent:** **Section 40**

[\*MinAddName\*] has received the attached correspondence from a member of the public, which this office has neither retained nor acknowledged. Please send a reply on behalf of the PM/Minister/Department.

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

Most correspondence involves some form of request for information - even if it is only a request for clarification of Government policy - and is therefore covered by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) from January 2005. In general, if you meet the deadline for responding to correspondence, and comply with any requests for information, there is no need to do anything differently as this will meet the requirements of the Act. However, if the correspondence requests information which is not already in the public domain, and which might need to be withheld, then you should treat it as a FOIA request, track it using the Access to Information toolkit, and comply with the separate FOI guidance from DG Info (see <http://aitportal/default.aspx> for details). However, the deadline for responding to correspondence will still apply. If you are in any doubt as to whether a piece of correspondence should be treated as an FOIA request, you should ask your FOI Focal Point

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refer to the guidance produced by DG Info.

**It is important that branches ensure they have simple systems to track correspondence received from members of the public, though the Parliamentary Toolkit will now record the basic details. Once a response has been sent, therefore, can you please notify the Ministerial Correspondence Unit (via [ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk](mailto:ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk)) of the date of your reply so that the record can be closed on the Toolkit.**

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

Email: [ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk](mailto:ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk)

Regards,

**MOD Parliamentary Branch  
Ministerial Correspondence Unit**

t: **Section 40**

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e: [ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk](mailto:ParliBranch-Treat-Official@mod.uk)

TO05347 2007 - 20070829133958 - Section 40

From: feedback@www.mod.uk  
Sent: 27 August 2007 09:59  
To: Ministers  
Subject: Ask a Minister

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Monday, August 27, 2007 at 09:58:37

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtsubject: UFO sighting

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Blairgowrie

txttowncity: Blairgowrie Perthshire

txtstatecountry: Scotland

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtrequest: Hello,

I am not sure if i am emailing the right department here but on friday the 17th August at around 10:00pm i phoned the ministry of defence and reported lights in the sky. they said they would pass the case on to the UFO Team and i would like to know if there is any further information on the lights or if it is going down as a official UFO sighting. My name is Section 40 so you should have record of the case on your system.

Thank You

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**Section 40**

Matlock  
Derbyshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
29 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 August 2007, 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 24 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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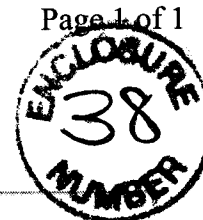


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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	24 August 2007 21.20L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
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 UFO was seen over Matlock, Derbyshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far 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)	It was a very clear evening.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Matlock Derbyshire Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Five locals that are neighbours.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the sighting was absolutely incredible.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	29 August 2007 11.30L



Section 40

From: Section 40

Sent: 29 August 2007 14:17

To: Section 40

Subject: Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen 26 August 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to our das-ufo-office e.mail address. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

First, it may be helpful if I explain that the Ministry of Defence examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity. Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 26 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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London  
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E.mail – das-ufo-office@ mod.uk

Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of DAS-UFO-Office  
Sent: 28 August 2007 09:08  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: UFO sighting - Essex, 26/08/2007 at 22.53

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

From: Section 40 [mailto:Section 40]  
Sent: 26 August 2007 23:35  
To: DAS-UFO-Office  
Subject: UFO sighting - Essex, 26/08/2007 at 22.53

>  
> Hello,  
>  
> I would like to register a possible UFO sighting over Broomfield /  
> Chelmsford, Essex - tonight at 22.53.  
>  
> We were driving home and noticed five bright orange lights in the sky,  
> equally spaced, forming a diagonal line. They were slowly moving, up  
> and down and very slightly left and then right. The neat formation  
> gradually dispersed with two in the middle eventually very close  
> together. The lights then gradually moved upwards and slowly  
> disappeared into the clouds.  
>  
> I would be very interested to hear your comments in this matter.  
>  
> If you need anything further then please do not hesitate to contact  
> me.  
>  
> Regards,  
>  
> Section 40



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**Section 40**

Streatham  
South West London

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
20 August 2007

Dear Madam

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 18 August-2007, 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 18 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help to you.

Yours faithfully

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	18 August 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	An object/objects were seen, and then it landed. A person was seen and then other people were seen. A lot of phenomena.
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/objects/phenomena were seen in Streatham in South West London.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite close.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The objects were moving towards the ground and then landed and that's when the caller said she saw people.
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>	No name given, but caller was female. Section 40 Streatham South West London Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	The caller called back twice and each time it was hard to understand her, as she was very stressed and upset and kept catching her breath. Couldn't seem to talk properly on the phone. Said this information she was giving to us was very important. She didn't give her name.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	20 August 2007 11.00L

No reply  
as no full  
address.



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	19 August 2007 (No time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Twenty, solid red 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.)	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 lights were seen over Bethnal Green, East London.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights went up and down in the sky and then just disappeared.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not given.



9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	RAF West Drayton took the call and then passed the information on to the Met Police who then in turn, left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	No name and full address given.  Bethnal Green East London E2
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	20 August 2007 10.45L



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



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**Section 40**

Nottingham  
Nottinghamshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 22 May 1991, the details of which you e.mailed 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.

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With regard to your particular observation, the details have been logged and your e.mail will be placed on our files.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 13 August 2007 07:32  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request PS 13-08-2007-073034-005 Section 40

Section 40

Can I interest you with this FOI request?

Regards

Section 40

FOI Helpdesk

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 12 August 2007 15:07  
To: Info-Access-Office  
Subject: FOI written request PS 13-08-2007-073034-005 Section 40

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Sunday, August 12, 2007 at 15:06:34

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txttitle: Section 40

txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtoccupation: Civil Servant

txtaddress1: Section 40

Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: Nottingham

txtstatecountry: Nottinghamshire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txtcountry: United Kingdom

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtinforequest: In <sup>y</sup>May 1991 I witnessed an unidentified flying object flying quite low over the housing estate where I live. Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to know what (if any) military activity was taking place at this time. The lights on the object and the sound were of nothing that I could recognise, however, it might have been some sort of 'test' aircraft. My main concern was the height it was flying, and if it was a military aircraft flying at that time, it was, in my opinion flying far too low.

Date <sup>y</sup>22nd May, Approximate 11.30 - 12.00 midnight.

Should you require any further information (I do have diagrams), please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks.

Regards

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**Section 40**

Barrow-in-Furness  
Cumbria

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
17 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 27 July 2007<sup>6</sup>, the details of which you e.mailed to us. 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 to this office of 'UFO' sightings for 27 July 2007<sup>6</sup> from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 17 August 2007 11:25  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request 17-08-2007-112431-003 Section 40

Paul,  
Thanks.

Section 40

Info-AccessOps5

Section 40

Main Building

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 16 August 2007 17:27  
To: Info-Access-Office  
Subject: FOI written request 17-08-2007-112431-003 Section 40

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 17:27:22

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txtlastname: Section 40  
txtoccupation: Retired  
txtorganisation: none  
txtaddress1: Section 40  
txtaddress2: n/a  
txttowncity: Barrow-in-Furness  
txtstatecountry: Cumbria  
txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40  
txtcountry: United Kingdom  
txtemailAddress: Section 40  
txttelephone: Section 40

txtinforequest: Right! Could you explaine this. an Astronomy Group Chairman in Barrow told me he was mystified by it the Blackpool airbase for learners etc,said it could be a Glider,then i said 'What! that time of night' Anyway here is what i saw>>>> (wrote it down)>>> Thursday 27.7.06 From east to west (over Barrow Island Trangle to Millom) TIME <<10.45pm It was oblong at BACK it had many lights on look orange. FRONT white lights about 4/5 these were FLASHING on& of all the time.  
It was lower than our Gliders on Walney Airdrome (as i see these often)



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**Section 40**

Harrogate  
North Yorkshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
17 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in August 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to us. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings from Harrogate, North Yorkshire in August 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 16 August 2007 15:03  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request PS 13-08-2007-073747-007 Section 40

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

From: Section 40  
Sent: 13 August 2007 07:39  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request PS 13-08-2007-073747-007 Section 40

Section 40

Can I interest you with this FOI request?

Regards

Section 40

FOI Helpdesk

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 12 August 2007 02:54  
To: Info-Access-Office  
Subject: FOI written request PS 13-08-2007-073747-007 Section 40

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Sunday, August 12, 2007 at 02:54:03

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtoccupation: Tax Inspector

txtorganisation: HM Revenue and Customs

*North Yorkshire*

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: N/A

txttowncity: Harrogate

txtstatecountry: North Yorkshire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txtcountry: United Kingdom

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40 (daytime)

txtinforequest: Several people including myself observed 8+ orange unflickering lights that appeared from a Northerly direction of Harrogate town centre. They were brightest on the horizon and from the first moment they were observed to the time they disappeared to the east was around 10 minutes so they were definitely not part of the meteor storm reported in the press. I would like to know if these objects were picked up on your radar and if so where they were first picked up, what direction each object headed in and what location each left your radar. It seemed from the size and speed these objects first cut across the sky that they were ground to air rockets/misiles

but the time they spent in the air 10+ minutes each the size of the "glow", their speed and the positive trajectory (going up on staying level over the time the each were observed) they were clearly not a firework display/traditional thai balloon display.

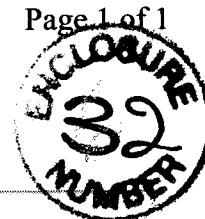
I look forward to your response.

Thank you,

Section 40

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Section 40

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 17 August 2007 12:35  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object' seen on 13 August 2007, the details of which you e.mailed our das-ufo-office e.mail address. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFO's.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports to this office of 'UFO' sightings for 13 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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17/08/2007



Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of DAS-UFO-Office  
Sent: 14 August 2007 13:37  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: UFO / strange lights sighting over east durham

Sighting Report for you.

Section 40

From: Section 40 [mailto:Section 40]  
Sent: 14 August 2007 13:30  
To: DAS-UFO-Office  
Subject: UFO / strange lights sighting over east durham

2 objects.

Dear Sirs,

After reading in the press, other witness reports, of what I saw last night, I thought I'd report it to you too. I was in my garden photographing stars with a new lens I took delivery of yesterday when I saw the following - sadly I didn't consider photographing what I saw as I just dismissed the lights as helicopters, at first. I did turn my lens towards them and focus upon them with maximum magnification but could see nothing other than the lights themselves, i.e. I could not see any aircraft, balloon or any other structure - just the lights and since it would have meant setting my camera up for photographing them, I couldn't be bothered as they were not static and would have posed a bit of a challenge to capture.

12/8

At approximately 10:45pm I was in my garden and saw what initially appeared to be two helicopters flying north in parallel to my house, in Houghton Le Spring. They were probably no higher than 1 - 2 thousand feet and were moving very slowly and were no more than a mile or so away from my home. It then became apparent to me that there was no engine sound from them, which was odd. I had assumed they were helicopters since their flight was slow, erratic, changing direction, suddenly slowing and stopping, reversing direction slightly, then moving on. Both were heading in the same direction and strangely both emulated each others manoeuvres, almost exactly, as if they were linked by something, but they were at least half a mile apart.

The sky was mostly clear with light, thin, scattered cloud cover and for about five minutes they moved slowly north. They were east of my home and heading towards Sunderland. The light from each was a single constant light source, reddish orange in colour, bright, with no evidence of flashing or any other lights. After a few moments they started to climb upwards as the lights became smaller and one entered cloud cover, a few moments later the other also disappeared behind cloud. A few moments later I was able to see one of these through thinning cloud and it appears that it had gained height substantially as it was very small, at that point.

I was puzzled by this and dismissed it as weather balloons being released by somebody, or a joke being played upon the population of Houghton le Spring. However, they were very bright light sources and would have required a considerable battery to power them, with that degree of battery weight, it would have to be a very serious balloon that could lift such a battery, so not real 'prankster' tactics or budget, I think. Plus it was clear that they were not hot air balloons as there was no propane gas flame visible or audible to keep them climbing. They were not Microlight aircraft as there was no noise and their flight was too erratic. They reminded me of flares, but they didn't issue any smoke, didn't descend, but climbed and didn't flicker as a flare would, plus they lasted for a very long time. They were constant, of the same brightness and moved in a sort of synchronised manner. If I were to compare the brightness of the lights with something I'd say they were like the very bright lights you see on police helicopters, when not directly viewed but looked at from the side, so it was very bright, but there was no directional or focused beam emanating from the light.

With the exception of some kind of helium filled balloons, which were not visible, would have to be pretty big (and so would have been visible, I cannot think of anything that could describe what I saw. And so think to myself that this was 2 objects that I'd classify as UFOs - though I have never seen anything like this.

Please note that I am not a crank, ufo hunter, or believer in ufos - though I do believe that the universe will be teaming with life. I just don't believe that any sane creature would travel the enormity of space, the universe, etc, to visit Houghton le spring and Sunderland - they're not exactly the hub of the universe, if you know what I mean... and I'm sure there are much more interesting places to visit.

So, were they a sophisticated prank? Not sure, but I note from the local press that this is the second time this has happened in under a week...

Let me know if you need any more detail.

Regards

Section 40  
Business Development Manager - Information Management

Section 40  
Gateshead, Section 40

Section 40

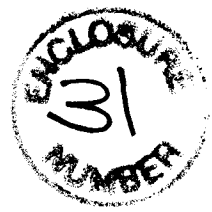
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From: **Section 40**  
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**Section 40**

Buxted  
East Sussex  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
17 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 7 August 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to us. 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 2007 and that was from Wakefield in West Yorkshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

From: Section 40  
Sent: 14 August 2007 08:58  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request 10-08-2007-123433-009 Section 40

Categories: FOI Information Request

Section 40

Please answer this as a normal UFO sighting, not an FOI request.

Section 40

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

From: Section 40  
Sent: 10 August 2007 12:36  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW: FOI written request 10-08-2007-123433-009 Section 40

Section 40

Info-AccessOps5

Section 40

Main Building

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

From: feedback@www.mod.uk [mailto:feedback@www.mod.uk]  
Sent: 09 August 2007 22:06  
To: Info-Access-Office  
Subject: FOI written request 10-08-2007-123433-009 Section 40

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Thursday, August 9, 2007 at 22:06:14

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txtfirstname: Section 40  
txtlastname: Section 40  
txtoccupation: Civil Servant  
txtorganisation: DEFRA  
txtaddress1: Section 40  
txtaddress2: Buxted  
txttowncity: Buxted  
txtstatecountry: East Sussex  
txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40  
txtcountry: UK  
txtemailAddress: Section 40

Section 40

txtinfo request: On the 7th of August 2007, myself and my partner were out walking in the village of Buxted. Approximately 9pm we saw a fast moving bright object in the night sky. The object travelled from the south in a northerly direction. It slowed and changed direction now travelling in a north easterly direction. At no time during the 10 minute sighting did we hear plane like noise, indeed no noise was heard. Similarly the object was absent of typical aircraft lights. There was aircraft visible in the air at the time and the object was unique in its brightness, lack of noise and apparent variable propulsion.

Being such an intriguing object I wish to at least report it and if possible learn if the object was logged by the MOD?

Yours faithfully

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

Farnham  
Surrey

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
16 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 11 August 2007, 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 11 August 2007, and that was from Brighton, East Sussex. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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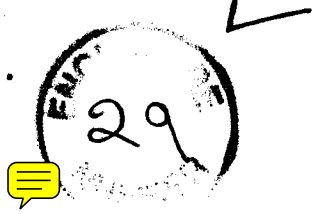
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	11 August 2007 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
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 seen over Farnham, Surrey.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance and then it started to move nearer.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It was going across the sky, quite slowly.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was a clear evening.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Farnham Surrey Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Just Section 40
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	They both said it was very strange.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 August 2007 10.30L

(No reply as full address not given)



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	11 August 2007 22.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A bright orange sphere was seen.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, in Brighton, East Sussex. Didn't say exactly where.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and a video camera.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	It was seen over Brighton, East Sussex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite high up above the witnesses head.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It shot off quite fast and then disappeared and then reappeared a few minutes later and came back to its original position!
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>Full address not given.</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Section 40 said that a few friends witnessed the UFO too.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 was panicking on the answerphone message, saying we had to ring her back. (She left three messages saying this). She was petrified and so were her friends. She had never seen anything like this before. Wanted us to explain to them what it was and to reassure them too, as they were very worried.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 August 2007 11.00L

(No reply, as house no. not included on the address)



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	10 August 2007 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and binoculars.
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 over Lee's house in Boreham Wood, Hertfordshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite high up above the house.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It hovered, and then shot off.
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>No house number was given.</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Boreham Wood Hertfordshire</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Two other witnesses, but did not say who they were.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40 and that the object was very strange and would like us to get back to him, to explain to him what it could be.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 August 2007 10.30L



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



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**Section 40**

Liverpool  
Merseyside  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
13 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in August 2007, 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 from Liverpool, Merseyside in August 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(No date or time given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Six to eight glowing lights were seen, moving in a straight line across the sky. They were changing patterns from diamonds to pyramids.
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 and binoculars.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	The lights were seen going over Liverpool in Merseyside.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Not given.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were moving quite slowly 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] Liverpool Merseyside Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Two other witnesses, but he didn't say who.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the lights were definitely not planets, stars or man made aircraft. He would like us to explain what he saw.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	13 August 2007 10.15L



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**Section 40**

Wakefield  
West Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
13 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 7 August 2007, the details of which you passed to us by letter. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 7 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

08/08/2007

Section 40

Wakefield.  
West Yorkshire.  
Tel Section 40

Re; unexplained aerial object. 

Dear Squadron Leader Section 40

I am writing this letter to you in the hope that you may be able to assist me in the identification of a very unusual aerial object seen by my daughter and I last night. (Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August)  
Please allow me to explain?

We had been in our rear garden last night, waiting to catch a glimpse of the space station as it passed briefly overhead travelling roughly east to west, and if possible record video footage of the said object.

As predicted the space station came into view at 21.45, and I managed to film it for about twenty seconds.

I was very pleased with the result, and therefore decided to watch the sky for a little while longer, this decision was aided by the fact that we had seen one or two meteorites/shooting stars, which were also nice to watch.

At around 23.00hrs I had gone back inside to make a cup of coffee, but as I emerged from the kitchen, my daughter drew my attention to a strange triangular object which had passed directly over our home. I noted the time as 23.07hrs. The object was moving 70 degrees east north east, to 230 degrees south south west. object was an elongated triangular shaped with rounded corners, and sort of a satin finish charcoal grey colour.

At a guess, I would estimate the object to be around fifteen feet across, and twenty feet long. It was absolutely silent, very low in the sky, and moving quite fast. I would estimate its elevation to have been very close to forty feet from the ground, or the height of a well grown tree.

I calculated this latter measurement, because of the fact that we were able to see the reflections of street lighting on the objects underside.

Watching the sky is a particular interest of mine, and I am aware of the flight, paths used by commercial airlines in my locale, and although I am not an expert by any means, I am familiar with lighting patterns and shape of commercial aircraft flying at night. The object I saw didn't fit into any aircraft pattern I know of.

I understand fully the fact that your time is taken up primarily with your duties, but I would be very appreciative of any help or explanation you may be able to offer me as regards solving this mystery! Or if the object had appeared on radar or anything!

Next page please?

I will close this letter, by offering my gratitude and thanks for your time, and any help you may be able to offer on this matter.  
I hope to hear from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Section 40

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**Section 40**

Tadley  
Hampshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

13 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 10 August 2007, the details of which you passed to us by e.mail. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs.'

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received one other report of a 'UFO' sighting for 10 August 2007, and that was from Boreham Wood in Hertfordshire. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

Section 40

**From:** feedback@www.mod.uk  
**Sent:** 11 August 2007 23:11  
**To:** webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
**Subject:** Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Saturday, August 11, 2007 at 23:10:53

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: tadley

txtstatecountry: hampshire

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: 10/08/07 10:45pm

txtrequest: I would like to report a ufo over the town of Basingstoke in Hampshire. On the above date at the above time i witnessed a single orange light, about as bright as venus moving throught the sky at airoplane speed from the south west. The object stopped still in the air onerhead and started flickering like a flame. It then moved as if drawing a triangle inthe sky before dissapearing as if swiching a light off. The object made no sound and was witnessed by several other people.

I am not sure if this is the right place to report such an incident.

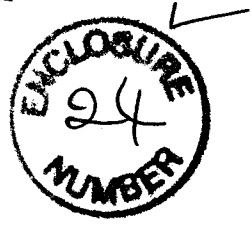
Any questions, I can be contacted by email or phone.

Thank you

Section 40

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(No reply,  
as name/address  
not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	6 August 2007 21.55L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen.
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 witness just said, over Cornwall.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It was moving 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>	Mr Cornwall  Name and address not given.
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Said to ring him back, so he could discuss the sighting. We don't, but then he gave the wrong phone number. Ie. it was a digit short.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	8 August 2007 11.45L





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**Section 40**

Stockport  
Greater Manchester

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
9 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 8 August 2007, 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 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 8 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

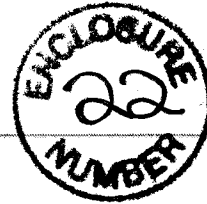
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	8 August 2007 02.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was an object moving vertically towards the ground. It had 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.)	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 seen over the Castleton area of Derbyshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far away.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving quite quickly towards the ground.
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 Stockport Greater Manchester Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	One witness, person working with him.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the object was definitely not a shooting star or an aircraft. It was very strange. He was on duty at the time with one other person? Think he is a Security guard, by what he mentioned on DAS answerphone.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	8 August 2007 11.30L



Section 40

From: Section 40

Sent: 08 August 2007 16:02

To: Section 40

Subject: Release-Authorised: FOI Request - 07-08-2007-101513-001

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object' seen on 4 August 2007, and your request for information on this particular sighting. 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 Ministry of Defence (MOD) examines reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity. Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no 'UFO' has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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

With regard to your particular observation, and the question of any other member of the public reporting the incident to this office, I can confirm that no other reports were received regarding your incident, but one other report was received for the same date from Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire.

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

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

Yours sincerely

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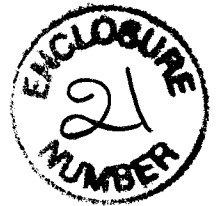
E.mail – [das-ufo-office@mod.uk](mailto:das-ufo-office@mod.uk)

(FOI 600). (Sheffield, South Yorkshire).  
 (22.45 - Two strange objects,  
 followed by three others in  
 the sky).  
 (were spinning and moving very fast).

08/08/2007



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**Section 40**

Newcastle upon Tyne  
Tyne & Wear

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in August 2007, 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 from Chopwell, Tyne & Wear in August 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(No date or time given). (Sometimes the object is there for weeks though).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Something/object was seen in the sky. It was originally due South, was stationary and then it moved due West. The light was the equivalent of a bright star or a satellite.
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 seen over Chopwell, Tyne & Wear.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving from South to West and then back again. It was moving quite slowly.
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>Newcastle upon Tyne Tyne &amp; Wear</p> <p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Section 40 [REDACTED]</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 wants to know what the object is and why it is there?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 August 2007 11.50L





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**Section 40**

Hemel Hempstead  
Hertfordshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
6 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 4 August 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

(Amended, due to  
Section 40 [redacted] ringing  
back and leaving  
more information.)

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	6 4 August 2007 10 <del>(No time given).</del> 22.10L.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	<del>Lights were seen in the sky.</del> 3, bright orange 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.)	The lights were seen over Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.
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 Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 August 2007 11.30L



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



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(Switchboard) 020 7218 9000  
(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Batley

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 31 July 2007, 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 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 the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 31 July 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	31 July 2007 23.58L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Had some kind of 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.)	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 seen over Batley.
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 Batley west Yorkshire. Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said the sighting was very strange and that we could contact her by ringing her, if we wanted to.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	1 August 2007 11.30L



Section 40

**From:** Section 40  
**Sent:** 31 July 2007 12:37  
**To:** Section 40  
**Subject:** Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 30 July 2007, the details of which you e.mailed 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 evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no 'UFO' report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 30 July 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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SW1A 2HB

E.mail – [das-ufo-office@mod.uk](mailto:das-ufo-office@mod.uk)

31/07/2007

Section 40

From: feedback@www.mod.uk  
Sent: 31 July 2007 00:05  
To: webmaster@dgics.mod.uk  
Subject: Low Flying Complaints

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted on Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at 00:04:36

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txtfirstname: Section 40

txtlastname: Section 40

txtaddress1: Section 40

txtaddress2: Section 40

txttowncity: LONDON

txtstatecountry: BARNET

txtzipcodepostcode: Section 40

txttelephone: Section 40

txtcountry: UK

txtemailAddress: Section 40

txtincident: 30/7/2007 23:35

txtrequest: I am seeing three bright lights hovering and moving left to right , one which is stationery keeps flashing like a flare then the light goes inwards.

Using binoculars they seem like white slits in the air which move very fast. They are over my house at the moment.

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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Hitchin  
Hertfordshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

27 July 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in July 2007, 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 source, and to date no ‘UFO’ report has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena, could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings from Hitchin, Hertfordshire in July 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date not given). 22.30L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Three orange lights were travelling in a line formation.
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 lights were seen over Hitchin, Hertfordshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far 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 Hitchin Hertfordshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 wondered if there could have been military activity in the area, when he saw the lights? Said the lights were definitely not aircraft.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	26 July 2007 11.50L



From: **Section 40**  
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(Fax) **Section 40**

**Section 40**

Lynton  
North Devon

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
6 August 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 24 July 2007, the details of which you passed to NATS and the Devon Police Constabulary. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 24 July 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely  
**Section 40**



# Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Reports

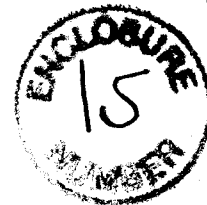
DAS  
1 AUG 2007  
FILE

Report of Unidentified Flying Object	
Date	24-7-07
Time	21-30
Sighting Duration	THREE MINUTES
Description of Object	BALL OF FIRE. NO TAIL
Exact Position of Observer	LEE ROAD LYNTON NORTH DEVON
How Object was Observed	NAKED EYE
Direction in which Object was First Seen	COMING FROM WEST GOING EAST.
Angular Elevation of Object	HORIZONTAL
Distance of Object from Observer	MILES?
Movement of Object	STEADY SPEED OF AEROPLANE.
Meteorological Conditions During Observations	CLEAR EVENING.
Nearby Objects	NONE
To Whom Reported	LOCAL POLICE, NATS
Name of Informant	Section 40
Address of Informant	Section 40 LYNTON NORTH DEVON.
Background Information on Informant that may be Volunteered	—
Other Witnesses	Section 40



Date of Receipt of Report	25-7-07
Time of Receipt of Report	20-45.
Actions	Time
Complete report of UFO with as many details as possible and send to FOI1	20-50
Telephone details immediately and leave a message on 0207 218 2140.	20-50

(No reply, as full address not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Time and date not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	UFOs were seen flying very low. They were in formation.
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 objects were seen over Godalming, Surrey.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	They were flying very low in the near distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving quite slow.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Was around midnight, so dark.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	A female member of the public reported the sighting to RAF West Drayton, who then in turn passed the sighting to Surrey Police. Surrey Police left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Full name and address not given.  Godalming Surrey
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	There were planes in the sky, but these objects were definitely not planes!
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	26 July 2007 11.30L





Section 40

From: Section 40

Sent: 26 July 2007 14:57

To: Section 40

Subject: Release-Authorised: UFO sighting/FOI request - 24-07-2007-074837-001

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object' seen on 21 July 2007, and your request for information on this particular sighting. 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 (MOD) examines any reports of 'unidentified flying objects' it receives solely to establish whether what was seen might have some defence significance; namely, whether there is any evidence that the United Kingdom's airspace might have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised air activity. Unless there is evidence of a potential threat to the United Kingdom from an external source, and to date no 'UFO' has revealed such evidence, we do not attempt to identify the precise nature of each sighting reported to us. We believe that rational explanations, such as aircraft lights or natural phenomena could be found for them if resources were diverted for this purpose, but it is not the function of the MOD to provide this kind of aerial identification service. It would be an inappropriate use of defence resources if we were to do so.

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

With regard to your particular observation, and the question of any other member of the public reporting the incident to this office, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 21 July 2007, for this particular sighting 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.

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

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

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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E.mail – [das-ufo-office@mod.uk](mailto:das-ufo-office@mod.uk)

(for letter too)

(Polgate, East Sussex).

23.35 - strange, 6 bright red lights were seen for about 15-20 minutes.

26/07/2007



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

Dollar  
Clackmananshire

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2  
Date:  
19 July 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 14 July 2007, the details of which you passed to SACC. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

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

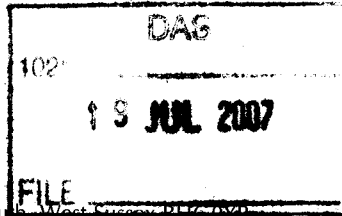
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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings for 14 July 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**



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**SAFETY REGULATION GROUP**

Civil Aviation Authority, Aviation House, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YA

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**WITH COMPLIMENTS**

Report of UFO sighting sent to us via NATS Prestwick

Section 40



**Report of Unidentified Flying Object**

DAS	
102No	19 JUL 2007
FILE	

- a) Date, Time and Duration of Sighting.  
14 July 2007 2300 Local 45 mins
- b) Description of Object  
4 BRIGHT LIGHTS MOVING QUICKLY TOWARDS OBSERVERS - THEN MOVES AWAY
- c) Exact Position of  
FROM WEST OF DOLLAR, CLACKMANSBURGH
- d) How Observed  
NAKED EYE
- e) Direction in which Object was First Seen  
WEST
- f) Angular Elevation of Object
- g) Distance of Object from Observer  
UNSURE
- h) Movements of Object  
OBJECTS GRADUALLY CAME TOGETHER THEN MOVED APART
- j) Meteorological Conditions During Observations  
CLEAR SKY, ORANGE SUNSET 1/2 HOUR BEFORE
- k) Nearby Objects  
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- l) To Whom Reported Section 40, C WATCH ATSA SUP.  
SCOTTISH AREA CONTROL CENTRE
- m) Name and Address of Informant  
Section 40  
DOLLAR, CLACKMANSBURGH Section 40
- n) Any Background Information on the Informant that may be Volunteered
- o) Other witnesses  
3 OTHERS - Section 40 DOLLAR
- p) Date and Time of Receipt of Report Section 40  
2350 Local 14 July 2007





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

Shrewsbury  
Shropshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

10 July 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 7 July 2007, 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 7 July 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	7 July 2007 23.15L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was a convoy of white lights moving along the river bank. They were silent.
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 lights were moving along the river over Montford Bridge, Shropshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	They were moving quite slow and then they just 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.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> [REDACTED] Shrewsbury Shropshire <b>Section 40</b> [REDACTED] <b>Section 40</b> [REDACTED]
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> said that she had never seen anything like this before. That she thought she should ring up the MOD and talk to someone about her sighting. They were definitely not aircraft.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 July 2007 11.30L

(No reply, as full address not given)



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	6 July 2007 (Time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A moon shaped object that kept reappearing every two minutes.
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 observed from Huddlesfield towards the Dewsbury area, West Yorkshire.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far away on the horizon.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It swerved rapidly to the left and right at different levels above the horizon.
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>	<b>Section 40</b> Huddlesfield West Yorkshire  (Full address not given).
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	His wife.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<b>Section 40</b> that the large object was definitely not an aeroplane.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	9 July 2007 10.30L



Section 40

From: Section 40

Sent: 03 July 2007 16:15

To: Section 40

Subject: Release-Authorised: UFO Sighting.

Dear Section 40

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object' seen on 23 June 2007, the details of which you e.mailed to Low Flying. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to 'UFOs'.

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With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of 'UFO' sightings for 23 June 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

Section 40

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Section 40

From: Section 40 on behalf of Low Flying  
Sent: 29 June 2007 07:19  
To: Section 40  
Subject: FW:

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

From: Section 40 [mailto:Section 40]  
Sent: 28 June 2007 18:30  
To: Low Flying  
Subject:

Dear sirs

The following is an email that I sent to Yeovilton air base. They were unable to offer any explanation except to say it may have been fireworks, I would not have thought fireworks could travel the distance these lights did!! They suggested I contact you.

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>  
>My wife and I were at Pilton on the night of June 23rd, possibly  
>10-45pm *Debon.*

>ish, when we saw five lights to the south crossing your area in an  
>easterly direction. These were followed over a period of time by about  
>another fifteen lights, all moving fairly quickly, all in the same  
>direction and all extinguishing in the same area.

>  
>You must have had many reports of this and I wondered if you have an  
>explanation???

>  
>sorry to take up your valuable time but I am very curious as they were  
>certainly different to most things we see in the night sky. I would  
>also

>  
>appreciate it if you could respond to my hotmail website .....

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>Many thanks

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**Section 40**

Mexborough  
South Yorkshire

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
D/DAS/64/2

Date:  
3 July 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in 2007, the details of which you left on our answerphone. This office is the focal point within the Ministry of Defence for correspondence relating to ‘UFOs.’

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

Sorry I could not be any 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.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	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>	Section 40 Mexborough South Yorkshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	3 July 2007 10.40L

(No reply as haven't got full address).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	28 June 2007 Time not given.
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A UFO was seen for a short time.
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 UFO was seen over Swindon, Wiltshire.
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)	It was reported to Wiltshire Police, who then left a message on DAS answerphone.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Swindon Wiltshire Full address not given. Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Not given.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	28 June 2007 11.30L





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**Section 40**

Ilminster  
Somerset

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

27 June 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 9 June 2007, 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 9 June 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	9 June 2007 23.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A strange object, that was like an unusual star. It was glowing red and then turned into a silver ball. It then seemed to have a circular light around it too.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outside his house.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and binoculars.
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 over Ilminster in Somerset.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	At one point, the object was directly overhead, and then sped off at a 45 degrees angle to the East.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It was moving across the sky, very quickly.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	It was quite clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 contacted the CAA, who then in turn gave him the DAS answerphone number.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Ilminster Somerset Section 40 Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	His wife and another witness, who he did not name.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he has never seen anything like this before. He is an Ex-RAF man and has seen many different types of aircraft. The craft was going faster than any conventional aircraft he knows of. Section 40 wondered if this sighting was anything to do with the sighting that was featured on Channel 4 the other evening?
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	26 June 2007 11.00L

(No reply -  
as full address  
not given).



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	Ten-fifteen thousand lights. Also about seventy single lights, were moving quite quickly.
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 lights were seen over East Sussex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The lights were moving to the side.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Not clear.

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>No full address.</p> <p>East Sussex</p> <p>Section 40</p> <p>Section 40</p>
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	<p>Section 40</p> <p>ordered if we could ring him and explain to him what these lights could be.</p>
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	26 June 2007 10.45L



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**Section 40**

Southampton  
Hampshire  
**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

19 June 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 18 June 2007, 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.’

I apologise if I have spelt your surname wrong, the message on the answerphone was not very clear.

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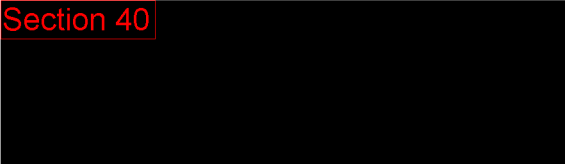
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Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

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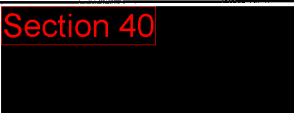
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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	18 June 2007 18.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	There was an object adjacent to the moon, and was twice the brightness.
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.)	Seen over Southampton, Hants, in close proximity to the moon.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Far in the distance, and about 30 thousand feet up.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was stationary.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite 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  Southampton Hampshire Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that the object was a degree away from the moon. It was strange seeing it so close. He then decided to ring up the BBC and report his sighting. He then informed the Met Office who said that they had received a report from another member of the public and that they had spotted the object too. He would like us to get back to him with information about the sighting, so I will explain our policy to him.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	19 June 2007 11.30L

(rang us back and told us it was the planet Zenus?  
26/6/07)

No reply -  
as full address -  
not given.



**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	(Date and time not given).
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A ball of light was moving across the garden, outside the witness's home. It seemed to move on its own.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors, in the garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and it was also caught on video tape, for about five minutes.
5.	<b>Direction in which object was first seen.</b> (A landmark may be more helpful than a roughly estimated bearing.)	Just above the house, going across the garden.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Just above roof level.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	Was moving across the garden/roof and going slowly.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite clear.

9.	<b>To whom reported.</b> (Police, military, press etc)	Section 40 reported it to Bristol Police first, who informed him that he should ring the DAS answerphone number, and report his sighting.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Section 40 Bristol Somerset Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that he video taped it for quite a few minutes and that the ball of light seemed to slow down when he did! He wants us to investigate his sighting, and explain to him what it could be. He said we can see the video tape if we want to, or need to! (He did not give his full address, for DAS to reply, and his phone number was also two digits out, so didn't include it on the report). So we could not explain our policy.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	6 June 2007 10.45L



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Powys

**Section 40**

Your Reference:

Our Reference:

D/DAS/64/2

Date:

6 June 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen on 29 May 2007, the details of which you passed to Dyfed Police, Powys. 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 29 May 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

REPORT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

<p>A. Date, Time &amp; Duration of Sighting</p>	<p>29 5 07 11 45pm 1 min circle &amp; came back</p>
<p>B. Description of Object (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness)</p>	<p>Triangular Shape Large height 100ft high Bright green &amp; blue</p>
<p>C. Exact Position of Observer Location, indoor/outdoor, stationary/moving</p>	<p>In a car they switched light off &amp; engine off.</p>
<p>D. How Observed (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, still or movie)</p>	<p>Naked eye 3 people in a car</p>
<p>E. Direction in which Object first seen (A landmark may be more useful than a badly estimated bearing)</p>	<p>From Lanfair Caerinion West.</p>
<p>F. Angle of Sight (Estimated heights are unreliable)</p>	<p>North</p>
<p>G. Distance (By reference to a known landmark)</p>	<p>Came from West hovered above Hem.</p>
<p>H. Movements (Changes in E, F &amp; G may be of more use than estimates of course and speed)</p>	<p>Disappeared &amp; got ahead of Hem and then came back in front Hem.</p>
<p>I. Met Conditions during Observations (Moving clouds, haze, mist etc)</p>	<p>Still night quiet night</p>
<p>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)</p>	<p>River running along.</p>

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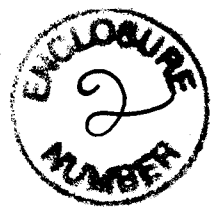
K. To whom reported (Police, military, press etc)	Police Dyfed Powys.
L. Name & Address of Informant	Section 40 [Redacted] [Redacted] Dyfed. Powys.
M. Background of Informant that may be volunteered	Mother of house
N. Other Witnesses	4 in car 1 m e 3 F
O. Date, Time of Receipt	31 5 07 4 30 pm
P. Any Unusual Meteorological Conditions	
Q. <u>Remarks</u>	Another one came from the North different colours. Returning home. Pink pulsating lights

RAF COMMUNITY  
RELATIONS OFFICER (WALES)  
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**Section 40**

Staines  
Middlesex

Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
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Date:  
6 June 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an 'unidentified flying object', seen on 2 June 2007, 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 2 June 2007 from anywhere in the UK. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom's airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	2 June 2007 10.26L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A star shaped object, that did not move for 10-15 minutes.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Outdoors in the garden.
4.	<b>How object was observed.</b> (Naked eye, binoculars, other optical device, camera or camcorder.)	With the naked eye and <b>Section 40</b> also took pictures of the object.
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 over Stanwell Village, Middlesex.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	The object was moving sideways.
8.	<b>Weather conditions during observation.</b> (cloudy, haze, mist, clear)	Quite 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 Staines Middlesex Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said that when she had her pictures developed, the craft looked a different shape in them, from what she had seen. Said we could see her pictures if we wanted.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 June 2007 10.45L



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Date:

6 June 2007

Dear **Section 40**

I am writing with reference to your report of an ‘unidentified flying object’, seen in June 2007, 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 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 the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life forms, about which it remains totally open-minded. I should add that to date, the MOD knows of no evidence which substantiates the existence of these alleged phenomena.

With regard to your particular observation, I can confirm that we received no other reports of ‘UFO’ sightings from Paignton, Devon in June 2007. We are satisfied that there is no corroborating evidence to suggest that the United Kingdom’s airspace was breached by unauthorised aircraft.

Sorry I could not be any help.

Yours sincerely

**Section 40**

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**REPORT OF AN UNEXPLAINED AERIAL SIGHTING**

1.	<b>Date and time of sighting.</b> (Duration of sighting.)	Date not given. 01.00L
2.	<b>Description of object.</b> (No of objects, size, shape, colour, brightness, noise.)	A strange object was swirling about in the sky. The object was totally silent.
3.	<b>Exact position of observer.</b> <b>Geographical location.</b> (Indoors/outdoors, stationary/moving.)	Indoors, looking out of the living room window.
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.)	Seen over Paignton, Devon.
6.	<b>Approximate distance.</b>	Quite far in the distance.
7.	<b>Movements and speed.</b> (side to side, up or down, constant, moving fast, slow)	It was just swirling about and then it 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.
10.	<b>Name, address and telephone no of informant.</b>	Section 40 Paignton Devon Section 40
11.	<b>Other witnesses.</b>	Not given.
12.	<b>Remarks.</b>	Section 40 said at first sight, it could have been a helicopter, but then changed her mind, as the craft was totally silent. She would like to talk to someone in DAS to discuss her sighting.
13.	<b>Date and time of receipt.</b>	5 June 2007 10.30L