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Pepperell Air Force Base, Massachusetts

26 February 1955

I. Description of Incident

An Air Force major and enlisted personnel from this base observed a green object with a trail of smoke traveling downward at a high rate of speed and disappearing behind mountains to the east. The size of the object was compared to that of the moon. Time of sighting was 2000 local time and the existing weather conditions were generally good.

II. Discussion of Incident

Project Blue Book's contact astronomer is of the opinion that the object seen was an exceptionally bright meteor. The size of the object was probably been overestimated. Two factors substantiate the meteor conclusion in this case: 1) the fact that it followed a downward course and 2) that it gave off smoke, two characteristics of a common meteor. The length of observation was given but it probably was a matter of seconds.

III. Conclusion

Probably a meteor.

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