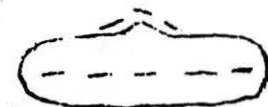
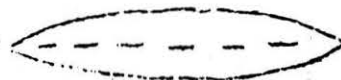


The final case discussed in this report is perhaps one of the most interesting. It is so not simply because of its strangeness but also because there are so many independent witnesses to testify to it. At present 8 sets of them have been found. Considering the ruralness of the area this is good research work by the local group concerned. All sets of reports are of a consistency to make this case good value data. It was a dull afternoon and had been raining but though the sky had thick cloud in the distance there were patches of sunlight breaking through. The time was 4.15 and the place Ramsbottom, 20 miles north of Manchester. What follows is a pieced together description of the phenomena. Not all witnesses saw all parts of it but there is enough overlap in their testimonies to be fairly sure that the sequence is correct. At least three, probably four, cigar shaped object followed one another in a SE - NW direction over the moors and hills. They passed almost directly over a housing estate and so were seen by so many people. One witness described two smaller cigars joining together with a fuzzy 'collar' marking the place of junction. Most witnesses described rows of fuzzy lights along the middle of what was otherwise a reflective surface which shined with the rays of the setting sun. As can be seen the shapes described are consistent though verbal descriptions varied from submarine like to sausage shaped. The size was also reported as about 50 - 80 feet long. There is evidence to support the fact that the two objects which supposedly joined did in fact form one larger object as the last member of the procession was said to be between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 2 times the size of the others. This one object is the only one which was described by anyone as making a noise (a faint humming). All others were recorded as silent - though the estimates of height were lower than aircraft which infrequently pass nearby (not on the route these objects followed) and which ARE heard. As a final point of interest one witness had a dog, who is normally placid, but it reacted violently during the five minutes that the objects were in the vicinity. Various checks were made to find a natural cause and it was fairly conclusively established that whatever these objects were they were not aircraft - at least not ones which were reputedly recorded on radar.



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