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Verification of Unusual Sight Record

Common Name: DOVE, INCA Scientific Name: SCARDAFELLA INCA
 Date: 11-6-85 Time: 1:30 PM Length of time observed: 1 1/2 TO 2 MINUTES.
 Number: 1 Age: ? Sex: ?
 Location: FAMILY GARDEN - WASHINGTON, UTAH
 T 415 - 15-W - SECTION 32
 Lat/long: 19 Elevation: 2900'-3000'.
 Distance to bird: 10' TO 36' Light conditions: GOOD
 Optical equipment: NONE
 Weather: CLEAR.

Description: (Write a detailed description of the bird's appearance, including size, shape, plumage pattern, color, and any unique features.)

DOVE LIKE BIRD LIT 35-36 FEET FROM ME.
 IT THEN WALKED BETWEEN TWO ROWS OF POBE
 BEANS. I THEN GOT WITHIN 10 FEET OF THIS BIRD.
 I FIRST THOUGHT IT WAS A YOUNG MORNING DOVE.
 BUT ~~BE~~ WHEN I GOT CLOSE TO IT, I COULD SEE
 IT WAS MUCH TOO SMALL. THE COLORING WAS
 WRONG.

THE COLOR - A PACE OR LIGHT LAVENDER. THE
 BODY APPEARED TO BE SCALD.

IT FLEW INTO A SMALL ~~TO~~ TREE, ABOUT
 6 1/2 FEET OFF THE GROUND. IN FLIGHT, THE
 TAIL LOOKED SQUARE WITH WHITE MARKINGS
 DOWN EACH SIDE.

~~PERCHED~~ PERCHED IN THE TREE, (18-20' FROM ME)
 YOU COULD SEE THE SCALE MARKINGS ON THE
 BREAST & SHOULDERS.

Walter Stephens

Voice or call notes: — NONE

Behavior: —

Habitat:

FAMILY GARDEN

Describe what specific features you saw or heard that caused you to reach your conclusion:

I HAD NEVER SEEN A BIRD LIKE THIS BEFORE

What similar species might it have been and how were these eliminated:—

AT FIRST— A YOUNG MORNING DOVE—
BY— SIZE & COLOR

What experience have you had with this and similar species:— WITH THIS BIRD—
NONE—

Books, illustrations, and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

THE AUDUBON SOCIETY — FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS. THE PICTURE IS IDENTICAL TO THE BIRD I SAW.

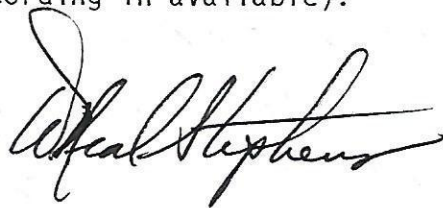
Significance of record in this area or the state;

UNKNOWN

Additional material (attach drawing, photograph, tape recording in available):

Observer: W. DEAC STEPHENS

Signature:



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Other observers who independently identified this bird:

Date prepared: 11-26-85

Return this form to: Utah Ornithological Society
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