

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP 9 Jul 49 10/0120Z | 2. LOCATION Tigvariak Island, Alaska |
| 3. SOURCE Civilian | 10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS SIX | |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1-1½ minutes | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer heard a "terrible" whistling sound like a rifle bullet but continuous. Then he spotted overhead six or seven dark objects travelling very fast in a SSW direction. The objects faded from sight about 1-1½ minutes after he first sighted them |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual | |
| 7. COURSE Southwest | |
| 8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |

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1. On 9 July 1949 at Tigvariak Island, Arctic Circle, latitude 70 degrees 15 minutes north, longitude 157 degrees 15 minutes west, Lt. [redacted] temporary civilian employee, Alaska Air Command, Arctic Survey, Arctic North Party, reported the following:

a. While walking along a trail, [redacted] was about one-half (1/2) mile from the survey camp when he heard a "terrific" whistling noise "like a rifle bullet", at which time, after looking for the cause of the sound for about a minute, he observed overhead six (6) or seven (7) dark objects travelling very fast in a southeasterly direction. He watched the objects for about a minute or a little more and one-half until they disappeared out of sight to the south-southwest at an angular height of about 45 degrees from the horizontal. The objects were very high, either in the clouds or above the clouds, at such a great distance that it was difficult to tell their size or shape. They were moving in a close, tight formation except that one of the objects momentarily moved out from the formation and then came back into the formation at a fast periodic rate. The course of the objects was slightly curved to the left into the south-southwest. The noise continued as the objects disappeared out of sight in the clouds.

b. The following weather conditions prevailed at the time: Visibility on surface - 10 miles; haze, heavy cloud formation starting at 15,000 to 20,000 feet with occasional clear blue sky between the breaks in clouds, light northeast air.

c. Lt. [redacted] returned to camp and reported the above immediately following the disappearance of the objects.

2. Weather Bureau observers at Point Barrow, Alaska observed a bright shiny object through a theodolite at 27201 on the 22nd of July. The object was estimated to be at an altitude of between 50,000 to 60,000 feet, moving horizontally, with no vertical movement noticeable. The object was first seen at 318 degrees and moved from 318 degrees to 326 degrees in eight (8) minutes. All weather observers viewed the object through the theodolite, the object still being in view at 2723301. The weather at the time was 15,000 feet overcast, fifteen (15) miles visibility with breaks in the overcast.

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

This office was unable to contact Mr. [redacted] for further interrogation, due to the inaccessibility of Tigvariak Island, but Lt. Jones who submitted the report found Mr. [redacted] to be an honest, dependable employee. This is his second year in the Arctic. After a review of all available information it is the opinion of this office that the object sighted at Point Barrow was the planet "Venus".

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| SUMMARY: <i>Letter to the summary of report. This report is to report on the results of a search of the records of the Alaska National Guard for the period 1944-1947. The search was conducted by the Alaska National Guard and the results are as follows:</i> | | |
| <p>In response to specific request for information regarding the presence of military aircraft at Etowah Island, Alaska, it is reported that no military aircraft were in the area. It is noted that the report is definitely negative and that the results of the search of the records of the Alaska National Guard for the period 1944-1947 are as follows:</p> | | |
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JULY LYVIN 10864. IN ACCORD WITH AIR INTEL REQUIREMENT MEMO
4 FOLLS ADDITIONAL INFO IS SUBMITTED RE SIGHTINGS AT TIGVAZAY
ISLAND. NORMAN MITCHELL, OBSERVER OF OBJECTS, INTERVIEWED
BY THIS OFFICE. HIS REPORT FOLLS: 10850Z JULY [REDACTED] WAS
APPROX 1/2 MILE FR SURVERY CAMP WHEN HE HEARD GREAT WHISTLING
OF WHINING SOUND. HE DESCRIBED SOUND AS THAT OF A HIGH VELOCITY
PROJECTILE SIMILAR TO SHELL, DEFINITELY NOT JET PLANE SOUND.
SOUND HEARD FOR 30 SECONDS BEFORE OBJECTS SIGHTED. 6 OBJECTS
SEEN TRAVELING AT HIGH SPEED IN APPROX CIRCULAR FORMATIONS
WITH 7TH OBJECT WEAVING IN AND OUT FORMATION BEHIND THEM.
DIRECTION OF FLIGHT NE TO SW AT EST ALT 15,000 FT. OBJECTS
DESCRIBED BY MITCHELL AS ROUGHLY CIRCULAR IN SHAPE AND APPEARED
BLACK IN COLOR. OBSERVER HAD HEARD AND SEEN JET PLANES AT
LADD FLD AND STATED THAT OBJECTS NEITHER RESEMBLED JETS IN
APPEARANCE NOR DID NOISE RESEMBLE JET EXHAUST. 3 NIGHTS LATER
130600Z MITCHELL AND HARRY LANTY, CARTOGRAPHER FOR COAST
GEODETIC SURVEY, HEARD IDENTICAL SOUND WHILE AWAY FR CAMP
BUT WERE NOT ABLE TO SEE OBJECTS. MEN IN CAMP HEARD NOTHING
EITHER TIME, HOWEVER, RADIO PLAYING AND HUTS TIGHTLY INSULATED.
INVESTIGATING OFF THIS STA EVALUATES B2. DETAILED WRITTEN
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