

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 13 July 1950 13/2045Z	2. LOCATION Jacksonville, Florida
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION ASTRO (VENUS) Observation of VENUS during daylight hours. VENUS in the reported position of the object.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION several hours	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS . Object was a shiny aluminum "pin-point". Two jet planes passed well beneath it and their wing span seemed about twice the diameter of the sphere. Observers guessed the object might have been a large weather observation balloon. It apparently hovered in one spot, laterally, while slowly drifting upward until it disappeared from view. Object emitted no fiery jets or noise of any kind.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual	
7. COURSE Stationary	
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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17 July 1950

SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft

TO : Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Attention: MCI (Control No. A-1917)

Inclosed herewith are newspaper clippings re "flying saucers" over Jacksonville, Florida.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

S. H. Meade
for JOHN MEADE
Colonel, GSC
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- 1. Clipping fm FLA. TIMES UNION, 14 July 50
- 2. Clipping fm MIAMI HERALD, 13 July 50
- 3. Clipping fm FLA. TIMES UNION, 11 July 50

See Jacksonville, Fla. sighting report of 11 July 1950, supra, for these clippings.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Lt Colonel Hemstreet

FROM : Colonel Feiling

SUBJECT: Investigation of "Flying Saucer" Reports

DATE: 19 July 1950

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14/1330

DATE OF INFO 14 July 1950

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SOURCE Female Civilian

DATE IN TO ATIC ---

COLOR Grayish-white

SPEED high

ALTITUDE 5000'

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 1/2 min

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

MANEUVERS ---

APIC NO. ---

AP NO. ---

REPORT NO. ---

DATE OF REPORT ---

TIME OF SIGHTING 0830

SHAPE Spherical

COURSE NE

NO. IN GROUP 1

FIELD ---

REPORT --- SKETCHES ---

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FROM : MCIAXA-1

DATE: 14 July 1950

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

1. Mrs. [REDACTED], who is employed in the Advertising Department of the Home Store in Dayton, reported to friends working in the Intelligence Department she observed an unidentified flying object this date. Mrs. [REDACTED] was contacted by the undersigned to get further details on the instance. No name was given nor was the fact that he was connected with AMC disclosed. Mrs. [REDACTED] seemed to be very intelligent in this conversation. The following details were reported:

a. Location object cited: While driving automobile on Martindale Road at Frederick Pike approximately six miles west of Vandalia, time - 0830.

b. Description: Mrs. [REDACTED] described the object as spherical and pointed out it looked much like a parachute and was traveling at a high rate of speed in a northeast direction. It was stated that the most significant fact noticed was that although the sun was very bright at that time there appeared to be no reflection from the object. The color was described as grayish white. No sound was heard. It was observed for approximately one-half minute before it disappeared. It was estimated that it was at an altitude of 5,000 feet.

c. Investigation: The operations people were contacted and it was determined that no Air Force parachute drops were made this morning. The weather people both at AMC and the chief forecaster, Mr. J. Stephens at Vandalia, were contacted regarding the possibility of weather balloons being in the vicinity. However, no such balloons were released today. It was also pointed out that there was a remote possibility that the object could have been a large radio signal weather balloon. These balloons are released at Chanute Field, Illinois, and also Toledo, Ohio. The wind at Vandalia this morning was from the northeast at seven mph and a clear sky was reported.

d. Dr. Holton at the Air Institute was contacted to determine if possibly an astronomical explanation for such a sighting at this time was available. He advised that it would be impossible to sight any planets during the day at this time of the year. In view of this, no explanation can be made of the sighting other than the general explanation which is contained in the Intelligence Department report on this subject.

2. As a matter of interest in the connection, Miss [REDACTED] in MCISXD-1 reported that she observed what looked like a flying saucer above Area C when entering Area A to report for work this morning, time 0751, location: above Area C. Altitude was estimated to be at 1,000 feet when first noticed and object climbed to approximately 10,000 feet. Description reported was that the object was very bright and a silver color looking very much like a flying saucer. It was observed for several minutes and no sound could be associated with the object. Miss [REDACTED] stated that she felt that it was a small airplane taking off from Patterson Field which gave the impression of being a flying saucer due to the reflection of the sun's rays.

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a. Investigation: The remarks contained in the investigation of the above item are considered applicable in this case. Operations advised that no aircraft took off from Area C at this time in question, however, there were probably a number of aircraft at various altitudes in this vicinity.

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Aircraft & Propulsion Section

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