

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| <p>1. DATE 28 Aug 52</p> | <p>2. LOCATION Barksdale AFB, La.</p> | | <p>12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon</p> |
| <p>3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0300 GMT</p> | <p>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar</p> | | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft</p> |
| <p>5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> | <p>6. SOURCE airmen, AP's</p> | | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical</p> |
| <p>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</p> | <p>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2</p> | <p>9. COURSE S</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown</p> |
| <p>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING "Comet" shape. High speed to hover.</p> | | <p>11. COMMENTS 2 objects sighted by airmen 1st may have been a meteor.</p> | |

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COUNTRY: USA REF ID: IR-134-52 LEAD/BLANK

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

TITLE: FLYOVERPT

AREA REPORTED ON: Barksdale AFB, La. FROM (Agency): 301st Bombardment Wing (H) SAC

DATE OF REPORT: 30 August 1952 DATE OF INFORMATION: 28 - 29 August 1952 EVALUATION: B-3

PREPARED BY (Agency): RICHARD P REINSCH, Major, USAF SOURCE: A/2c Jack S Jones, AF 13342261

REFERENCES (Covered in this report, previous reports, etc.): USAF Letter 200-5, 29 April 1952

SUMMARY (If not concise summary of report, file report once in full and reference paragraph. List indicates a part of report is not included.)

At approximately 0300, 28 August 1952 A/2c Jack S. Jones, AF 13342261, 608th Air Police Squadron, Barksdale AFB, while on guard duty on the flight line in area "C", observed what appeared to be a comet. This comet or object moved at a terrific rate of speed in a direction from the N.W. to South. The "star like" light suddenly stopped in flight and hovered in a stationary position for a few seconds and then disappeared as though an electric light had been switched off.

On the 29th of August 1952 at approximately 0215 the same airman observed a similar object or light moving from a SW to SE position at an extremely high speed. When SE of the Barksdale landing strip, the light suddenly stopped without first diminishing its speed. After a few seconds of "bobbing", the light became stationary and gradually turned to a red glow, then green, again red and finally white. In comparison with the stars, the light was much larger and brighter. It appeared to be approximately the size of a silver dollar. The edges were clearly defined, without fuzziness. Weather condition was clear and visibility unlimited.

This phenomenon was brought to the attention of the Sector Patrolman, S/Sgt J. K. Elliott, AF 13330495, who in turn reported it to the Sgt of the Guard, T/Sgt John J. Kasarada, AF 13318591. S/Sgt Elliott also observed the light in its stationary position.

Jones continued to watch the light which remained stationary and bright until he went to inspect the rear of the B-29 aircraft he was guarding. Upon returning to the front of the aircraft, the light had disappeared. The time was 0515.

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0400 2
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0815 2

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PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

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| 1. DATE <i>25 Aug 52</i> | 2. LOCATION <i>Holloman AFB, N. M.</i> | 3. TIME Local: <i>1540 MST</i> Zebra: <i>2240</i> |
| 4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite | | |
| 5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets | | |
| 6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted | | |
| 7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made | | |
| 8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent | | |
| 9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: <input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input type="checkbox"/> Steady | | |
| 10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: <input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes | | |
| 11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>Intelligence Section, 6540th Missile Test Wg., Holloman AFB, N. M.</i> | | |

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

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| 12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i> | | |
| 13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Night <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise <input type="checkbox"/> Sunset | | |

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

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| 17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft | | |
| 18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 100 Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

| | Location | Type | Launching Agency | Lighted? | | Describe Lighting |
|----|----------|------|------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | Yes | No | |
| a. | Holloman | RW | AW3 | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| b. | | | | | | |
| c. | | | | | | |
| d. | | | | | | |

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V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Unreliable
- Extremely Doubtful
- Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- Was Balloon
- Probably Balloon
- Possibly Balloon
- Was Aircraft
- Probably Aircraft
- Possibly Aircraft
- Was Astronomical
- Probably Astronomical
- Possibly Astronomical
- Other: _____
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

(PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SH)

| 1. DATE OF OBSERVATION | 2. TIME OF OBSERVATION | 3. STATION OBSERVING | | | |
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| 4. WINDS ALOFT: | | | | | |
| ALTIMUDE (feet) | VELOCITY (knots) | DIRECTION (degrees) | ALTIMUDE (feet) | VELOCITY (knots) | DIRECTION (degrees) |
| 0 | | | 25,000 | | |
| 1,000 | | | 30,000 | | |
| 2,000 | | | 35,000 | | |
| 3,000 | | | 40,000 | | |
| 4,000 | | | 45,000 | | |
| 5,000 | | | 50,000 | | |
| 6,000 | | | 55,000 | | |
| 7,000 | | | 60,000 | | |
| 8,000 | | | 65,000 | | |
| 9,000 | | | 70,000 | | |
| 10,000 | | | 75,000 | | |
| 12,000 | | | 80,000 | | |
| 14,000 | | | 85,000 | | |
| 16,000 | | | 90,000 | | |
| 18,000 | | | 95,000 | | |
| 20,000 | | | 100,000 | | |
| 5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |
| 7. CLOUD COVER: | | | | 8. VISIBILITY WAS | |
| _____ tenths at _____ feet. | _____ tenths at _____ feet. | _____ tenths at _____ feet. | _____ tenths at _____ feet. | _____ MILES. | |
| 9. COMMENTS: | | | | | |