

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

		LOCATION	Biloxi, Miss.			12. CONCLUSIONS
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 10 May 52 GMT 0203		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE	S/Sgt USAG			<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 46 seconds.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE			
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING White. Round. Stationary, then veered upward.		11. COMMENTS				

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BASE WEATHER STATION  
11TH WEATHER SQUADRON  
KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, MISS.

29 August 1962

SUBJECT: Synoptic Situation and Winds Aloft Report 0400-0600 26 Aug 62

TO : Wing Intelligence Officer  
3380th Technical Training Wing  
Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

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*W. D. Brasley*  
WILLIAM D. BRASLEY  
Major, USAF  
Station Weather Officer

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SUMMARY STATEMENT

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, authorized to administer oaths in cases of this nature, Mr. [REDACTED] Biloxi, Mississippi, and upon being duly sworn according to law, made the following voluntarily sworn statement:

"At approximately four-fifteen (0415), 26 August 1952, I, [REDACTED], sighted an unidentified flying object in the sky East Southeast of my home at [REDACTED], Biloxi, Mississippi. The object appeared to be round and flat in shape and reddish-orange, comparable to the color of a burning match seen from a distance, in color. I could not accurately determine the size of the object but a rough estimate would be somewhere around nine (9) feet by fifteen (15) feet.

"The object was following an East Southeast course and would veer from its course to the right, come back on course, and then veer to the left. The object appeared to be at a great distance from me and traveling at a fairly high rate of speed. I observed two (2) trails, similar to the trails of jets seen at night, coming from each end of the object, uniting toward the rear of the object. I could hear no sounds coming from the object and noticed no aerodynamic features.

"From the time I first saw the object until sunrise, I took twenty-three (23) pictures of the object. Upon development of the film, however, all frames were underexposed".

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Biloxi, Mississippi

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the twenty-ninth (29th) day of August 1952, at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi.

*C. J. Burd*  
C. J. BURD  
1st Lt, USAF  
Asst Mng Adj

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KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE  
AND  
3380TH TECHNICAL TRAINING WING  
KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, MISSISSIPPI

23-161

27 AUG 1952

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO: Director of Intelligence  
Headquarters USAF  
Washington 25, D. C.

26 Aug 1952  
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In compliance with paragraph 7 e (2), Air Force Letter 200-5,  
dated 29 April 1952, the attached report is hereby submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

JACK P. KERN  
Major USAF  
Adjutant

1. Encl  
1. AF Form 112,  
Parts I & II

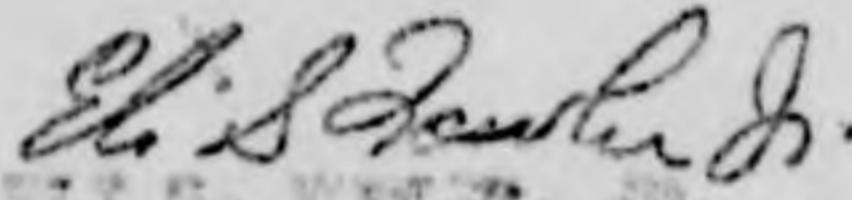
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CO, TIAF, Attn: D/I  
CO, ATRC, Attn: D/I

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COUNTRY	REPORT NO. 107	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT		
AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)	
DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Signature)	SOURCE	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 113—Part II.)		
<p>1. At approximately 0200Z, 26 August 1952, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] [REDACTED] sighted an unidentified flying object in the sky northeast of his present position at approximately 30°23'N/107°57'E. The object was reported as being round in shape with no clearly definable edges, and white in color. The size of the object was estimated by observer as being twice that of a full moon as seen from the position the observer from the observer to the object was estimated as being approximately two (2) miles. No atmospheric features were observed.</p> <p>2. The period of observation was estimated as being approximately forty-five (45) seconds. The object, having in the sky in a stationary position for approximately forty (40) seconds, turned off and disappeared from sight in an upward movement in an approximately six (6) seconds. No definite sound was distinguished by the observer; a brief comparison is that of a shooting star was observed as the object disappeared.</p>		
ATTACHED		
 MAJ. U.S. AIR FORCE, JR. Director, USAF Intelligence Division		
<p>2. INCL.</p> <p>1. Synthesis Information Major, USAF 2. Observations by Observer</p>		
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Information Pertinent to Object Sighted:

1. Shape

The shape of the object was reported as being round with no clearly definable edge.

2. Size:

Observer estimated the size of object as being twice that of a full moon as seen from an earth position.

3. Color:

The object was observed as being white.

4. Numbers:

One (1).

5. Formation:

Not applicable.

6. Astronomical features:

No astronomical features were observed by observer.

7. Trail or exhausts

A definite trail, comparable to that of a shooting star was noted by observer. No smoke or other exhaust was observed.

8. Propulsion systems:

None observed.

9. Speed:

No estimation of speed other than "a high rate of speed" was given by observer.

10. Sound:

Negative.

11. Maneuvers:

When first seen, the object was observed to be "hanging" in a stationary position. After a period of time, the object veered off and disappeared from sight in an upwards movement.

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12. Number of observations:

See 11 above.

13. Time sighting:

Approximately 0905Z, 26 August 1952. The length of time object was observed was estimated as approximating forty-six (46) seconds.

14. Number of observations:

Visual observation from a surface location.

15. Location of observer and object, respectively:

Observer:

Location: Approximately 30°23'N/80°57'W.

Object:

Distance: The distance was estimated by the observer as being approximately two (2) miles from his ground position.

Direction: Southeast from observer's ground position.

Altitudes: No estimation of altitude was made by observer.

16. Information on observer:

Name: Staff Sergeant [REDACTED]

Duty Assignment: Radar Observer, 1353rd AACG Squadron (Loran), Keesler AFB, Mississippi.

Estimate of reliability: Observer appeared to be serious, conscientious and aware of the significance of his statements.

Experience: Observer stated that he has two and one-half (2½) years' experience as a Radar Observer with a Weather Reconnaissance Squadron in addition to one (1) year's experience as a Loran Observer.

17. Weather and winds aloft conditions:

See Inclosure 1 hereto.

18. Activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for sighting:

Unknown.

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19. Existence of physical evidence:

Negative.

20. Interception or identification action taken:

Negative.

21. Air traffic in area:

At 0900Z, 26 August 1952, two (2) aircraft were in the vicinity of  $30^{\circ}21'N/90^{\circ}57'W$ . A civilian aircraft from Lackland AFB, Texas, bearing identification number N-9340, was preparing to land at Keesler AFB, Mississippi; PBY Aircraft 8314 departed Keesler AFB at 0900Z, 26 August 1952, on a search mission over the Gulf of Mexico.

*E.S. Danner Jr.*

ELMER S. DANNER, JR.  
Major, USAF  
Intelligence Officer

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BASE WEATHER STATION  
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WILLIAM D. BEASLEY  
Major, USAF  
Station Weather Officer

**S 2 A Q U E E M E N T**

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, authorized to administer oaths in cases of this nature, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 1653rd AFCS Squadron (Loran), Keesler Air Force Base,  
Mississippi, and upon being warned of his rights under the First Article,  
Uniform Code of Military Justice, and upon being duly sworn according to  
law, made the following voluntarily sworn statement:

"I, Staff Sergeant [REDACTED] [REDACTED], was walking East on United  
States Highway 90 between Gulfport and Biloxi, Mississippi, approximately  
one (1) block West of the Ship and Shore Drive Inn, at approximately  
0005Z, 26 August 1952, when I saw a round, white light in the sky off to  
my right at an approximate azimuth of 120°. The object appeared to be  
hanging in the sky; its size approximating that of twice the size of a  
full moon seen from a ground position. After approximately forty (40)  
seconds, the object seemed to veer off at an angle, upwards, at a high  
rate of speed. The object disappeared from sight in approximately six  
(6) seconds. I approximate the distance as being two (2) miles."

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Staff Sergeant, USAF

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the twenty-sixth (26th) day  
of August 1952, at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi.

*John P. Burfinger*  
JOHN P. BURINGER  
1st Lt., USAF  
Aust Wg Adj

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**SECURITY INFORMATION**

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TENTATIVE  
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

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SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 26 Aug 52  
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: Between 3 & 3:15 Hrs. Min.  A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- a. Eastern  b. Central  c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

- a.  Certain c. Not very sure  
b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Address Bilby's City or Town Miss. State U.S. Country

Additional Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building d. In an airplane  
b. In a car e. At sea  
c.  Outdoors f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

3.1 Were you:

(Circle One): a. In the business section of a city?  
b.  In the residential section of a city?  
c. In open countryside?  
d. Flying near an airfield?  
e. Flying over a city?  
f. Flying over open country?  
g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

## PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

## I. GENERAL

1. DATE 26 Aug 52	2. LOCATION Biloxi, Miss.	3. TIME Local: 0515ZST Zebra: 1015
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 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 type="checkbox"/> No — 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 type="checkbox"/> No — A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steady
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) Wing Intelligence Office, Wheeler AFB, Miss.		

## II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?  
None

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

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

4. How did you happen to notice the object?

As I was walking  
along somewhere caught the attention of  
my right eye.

5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

26      Mo.      1952  
Day      Month      Year

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SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object?

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- 6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object?

Try to list the activity or activities and the approximate amount  
of time spent on each.

I had been sitting in a buggy and  
had 3 hours

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7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes      or      No

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions:

- 7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):    a. North                       e. South  
                         b. Northeast                   f. Southwest  
                         c. East                           g. West  
                         d. Southeast                   h. Northwest

- 7.2 How fast were you moving? Walking miles per hour.

- 7.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One): Yes      or      No

8. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object?

(Circle One):    a. North                       e. South  
                         b. Northeast                   f. Southwest  
                         c. East                           g. West  
                         d. Southeast                   h. Northwest

8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One): a. North e. South  
b. Northeast f. Southwest  
c. East g. West  
d. Southeast ✓ h. Northwest

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question and preceding question (8 and 8.1).

- a. Certain c. Not very sure  
b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One): a. Through window glass e. Through theodolite  
b. Through windshield f. Through sunglasses  
c. Through binoculars g. Through open space  
d. Through telescope h. Other \_\_\_\_\_

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky  
b. Hazy  
c. Scattered clouds  
d. Thick or heavy clouds  
e. Don't remember

- a. Dry  
b. Fog, Mist, or light rain  
c. Moderate or heavy rain  
d. Snow  
e. Don't remember

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. No wind  
b. Slight breeze  
c. Strong wind  
d. Don't remember

- a. Cold  
b. Cool  
c. Warm  
d. Hot  
e. Don't remember

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

Hours Minutes Seconds

116 52c

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

- a. Certain  
b. Fairly sure

- c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

- 14.1 Change direction?  
14.2 Change speed?  
14.3 Change size?  
14.4 Change color?  
14.5 Break up into parts or explode?  
14.6 Give off smoke?  
14.7 Change brightness?  
14.8 Flicker, throb, or pulsate?  
14.9 Remain motionless?

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? bright white

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound none

16.2 Color iridescent white

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there?

Draw a picture of how they were arranged and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes  No  Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

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18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes  No  Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- |                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| a. Pea           | f. Automobile           |
| b. Baseball      | g. Small airplane       |
| c. Basketball    | h. Large airplane       |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. <del>Dirigible</del> |
| e. Office desk   | j. Other _____          |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain        | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain     |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 2 miles feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? 2 miles feet or 2 miles miles.

20.3 How fast was it going? 200 miles miles per hour.

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

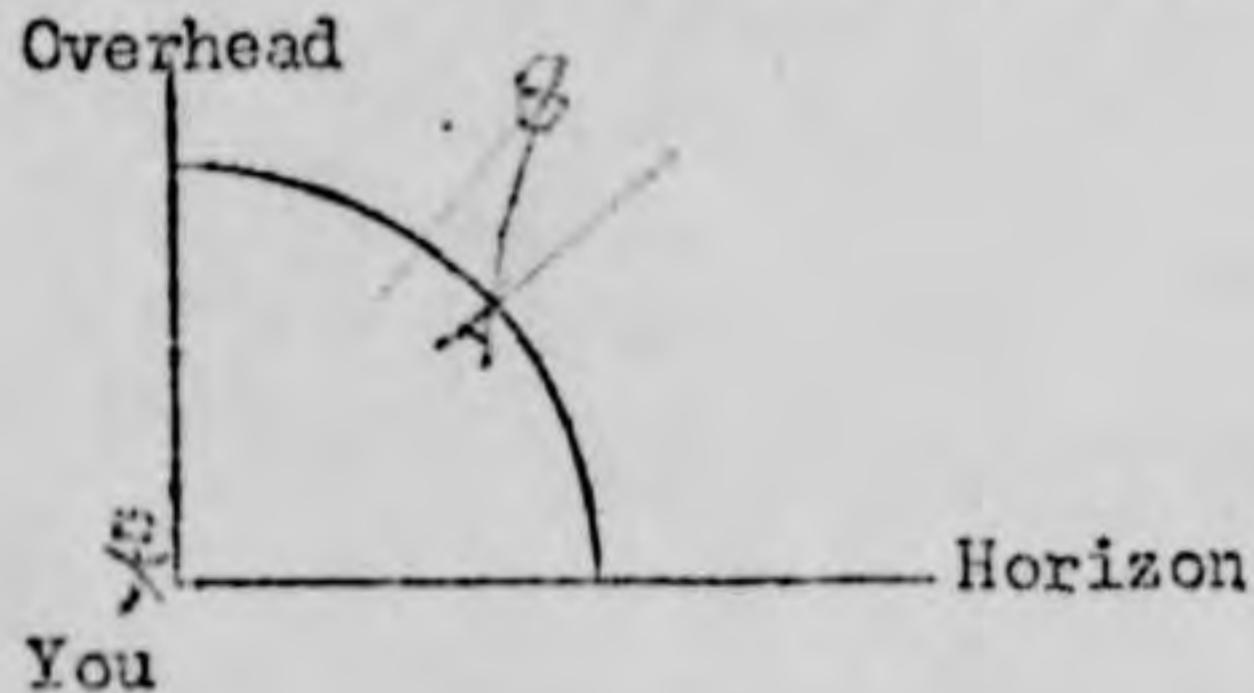
- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain        | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess  |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

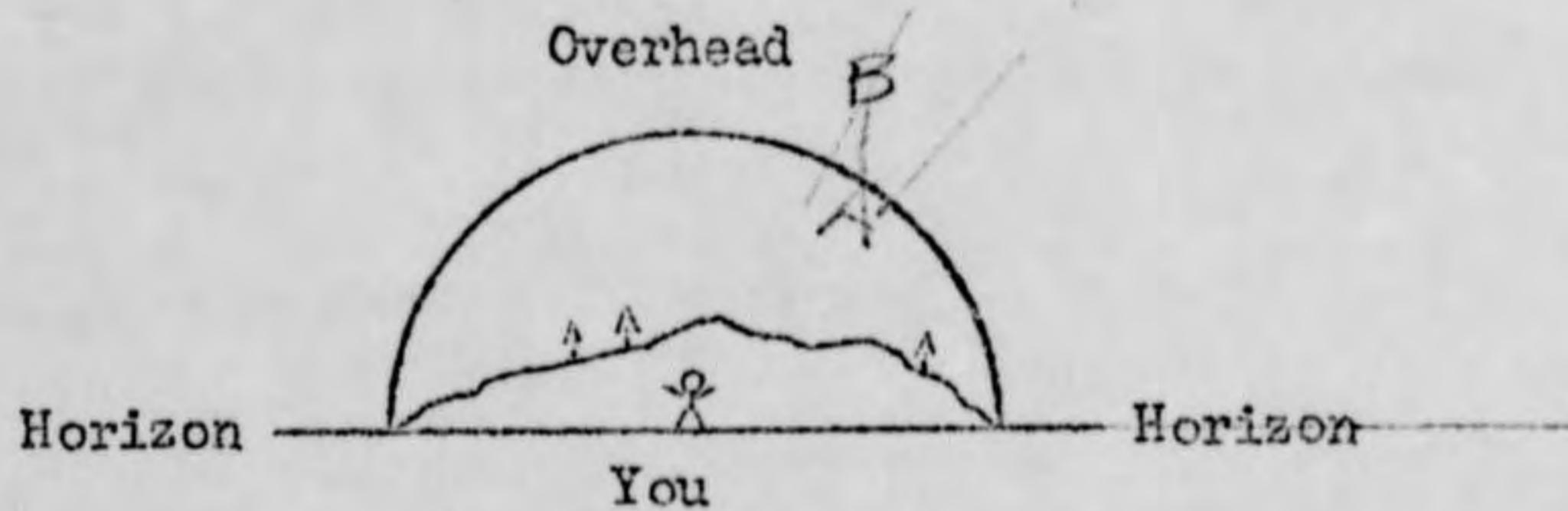
- (Circle One): a. Suddenly  b. Gradually  c. Other \_\_\_\_\_ d. Don't remember
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#### SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



(ME)

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

When I first noticed it, it was hanging motionless. Then take it took off at twice speed.

SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?

(Circle One): Yes or No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

*Don't have any idea*

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

What is your present job? \_\_\_\_\_

*(GORMAN) K7EB Miss.*

Age 21

Sex M

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.  
Use additional sheets of the same size paper, if necessary.

The object was about the size  
of two full moons viewing it away  
from the ground.

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8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent	
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:	<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input checked="" 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)	HQ, Keesler AFB, Miss.	

## II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?	None	
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

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 type="checkbox"/> No	
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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: 5 Minutes over 185

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

a.	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Mobile	P	W.B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b.	Pensacola F.B. Flas.	RA	A.I.S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c.	Pensacola	PA+P	Navy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
d.	Tallahassee	P	W.B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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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:

Time element suggests balloon from Mobile or Tallahassee. Wind direction & velocity indicate remote possibility of balloon from Pensacola or Eglin, provided balloons for some reason remained below 8,000' for over three hours. Radar contact is unexplainable.

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1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
<u>4. WINDS ALOFT:</u>					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000	25	100	35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000	11	11	45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000	15	100	55,000		
7,000	20	100	60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000	10	100	75,000		
12,000	10	100	80,000		
14,000	10	80	85,000		
16,000	15	360	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7. CLOUD COVER: ____ tenths at ____ feet.      ____ tenths at ____ feet. ____ tenths at ____ feet.      ____ tenths at ____ feet.			8. VISIBILITY WAS ____ MILES.		
9. COMMENTS:					

## IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA?  Yes  No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 175 Minutes

## 23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Mobile, Ala	P	W.B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
d.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- Unknown

## 24. COMMENTS:

## PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET

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<u>4. WINDS ALOFT:</u>					
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0			25,000		
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2,000	25	100	35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000	25	100	45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000	15	100	55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000	20	100	65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000	10	100	75,000		
12,000	10	100	80,000		
14,000	10	80	85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000	15	260	95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" 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:  ____ tenths at ____ feet.      ____ tenths at ____ feet. ____ tenths at ____ feet.      ____ tenths at ____ feet.			8. VISIBILITY WAS  ____ MILES.		
9. COMMENTS:					

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TO: Director of Intelligence  
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In compliance with paragraph 7 e (2), Air Force Letter 200-5,  
dated 29 April 1952, the attached report is hereby submitted.

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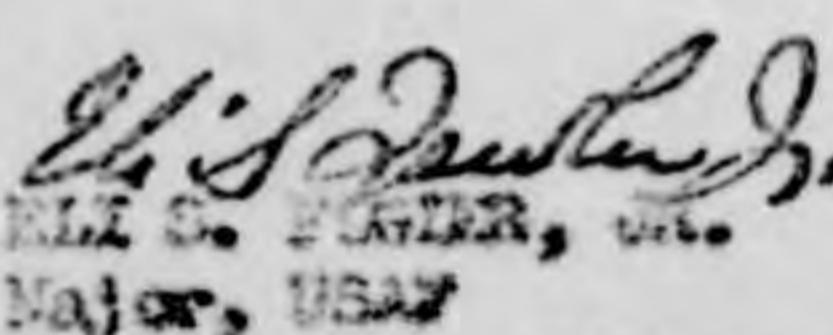
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT <del>PLANE</del>			
AREA REPORTED ON Southwest Mississippi	FROM (Agency) King Intelligence Office Tuscaloosa AFB, Mississippi		
DATE OF REPORT 26 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 26 August 1952	EVALUATION P-3	
PREPARED BY (Officer) Major E. S. Fowler, Jr.	SOURCE <del>SA</del>		
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AF 2000-5, 19 April 1952			
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)			
<p>1. At approximately 1015Z, 26 August 1952, Mr. [REDACTED] sighted an unidentified flying object in the sky East Southeast of his approximate geographical position of 30°24'N/88°53'W. The object was reported as being round and flat in shape and reddish-orange in color. The size of the object was not accurately determined but observer estimated that it would have been approximately nine (9) feet by fifteen (15) feet. No estimate of speed or altitude were given. The observer noted two (2) trails, similar to those of jet engines. The trails were located on opposite ends of the object on the outer perimeter. The trails were seen to unite a short distance to the rear of the object.</p> <p>2. The period of observation was estimated as being seventy-five (75) minutes, during which time, twenty-three photographs were taken of the object. Upon development, however, the film was discovered to have been underexposed.</p>			
APPROVED:			
 Major E. S. FOWLER, Jr. Major, USAF Intelligence Officer			
2 INCL. 1. Weather Data 2. Statement - Mr. Banderman, Sr.			
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1. Shape:

The shape of the object was reported as being round and flat.

2. Size:

The observer estimated the size of the object as approximating nine (9) feet by fifteen (15) feet.

3. Color:

The color of the object was described by the observer as being reddish-orange, comparable to the color of a burning match as seen from a distance.

4. Number:

One (1).

5. Formation:

Not applicable.

6. Aerodynamic features:

No aerodynamic features were observed by observer.

7. Trail or exhaust:

Two (2) trails "similar to the trails of jets seen at night" were observed. The trails were located on opposite ends of the object on the outer perimeter and were seen as uniting a short distance to the rear of the object.

8. Propulsion system:

None observed.

9. Speed:

No estimation of speed other than "a fairly high rate of speed" was given by observer.

10. Sound:

Negative.

11. Maneuvers:

The object was following an East Southeast course and would veer from its course to the right, return to its course, and then veer

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12. Manner of disappearance:  
The object remained in sight until sunrise (1130Z) when the object became non-distinguishable.

13. Time Sighted:  
Approximately 1015Z, 26 August 1952. The length of time object was observed approximated seventy-five (75) minutes.

14. Manner of observation:  
Visual observation from a surface location.

15. Location of observer and object, respectively:  
Observer:  
Location: Approximately 30°21'N/88°53'W.  
Object:  
Distance: No estimation of distance other than "great distance" was advanced by the observer.  
Direction: East Northeast from observer's ground position.  
Altitude: No estimation of altitude was made by observer.

16. Information on Observer:  
Name: Mr. [REDACTED],  
Mississippi.  
Occupation: Assistant Manager, Rodeo Theater, Biloxi, Mississippi.  
Estimate of reliability: Observer appeared to be serious, conscientious, helpful, and aware of the significance of his statements.

Information on Witness:  
Name: Mrs. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Biloxi,  
Mississippi.  
Occupation: Housewife.  
Estimate of reliability: Not determined.

17. Weather and winds aloft conditions:  
See Enclosure 1 hereto.

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<p>18. Activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for sighting: Unknown.</p> <p>19. Existence of physical evidence: Negative.</p> <p>20. Interception or identification action taken: Mr. [REDACTED] took twenty-three (23) photographs of sighted object but upon development of film, it was discovered that the all frames were underexposed. (See Inclosure 2 hereto.)</p> <p>21. Air traffic in area: Information from Base Operations this base indicates no air traffic in area during time of sighting.</p> <p><i>E. S. Parker Jr.</i> E. S. PARKER, JR. Major, USAF Intelligence Officer</p>				

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