

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 3 September, 53 3/0500Z	2. LOCATION Jones Beach, New York
3. SOURCE Civilians	10. CONCLUSION POSSIBLY LIGHT REFLECTIONS ON CLOUDS
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 Sec, 20-30 seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Dirigible shaped luminous object silver colored which appeared to be slightly obscured by haze or smoke as first observed traveling on a straight horizontal course through 90 deg azimuth and faded away after being observed 5 seconds. It was seen and was traveling in a W direction 1/2 in after last observation. This time the object was observed 20-30 seconds.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Optical-Visual	
7. COURSE E & W	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	REMARKS: There was considerable air traffic in the vicinity that could have passed over Jones Beach. (above cloud cover). Ceiling 500 ft, visibility was 2-3 miles haze and ground fog, broken overcast. The temperature was very warm the night of sighting and many tourists had parked around area, therefore, someone could have been using a spotlight. There is also a rotating beacon at the top of a tower at Jones Beach.
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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Witness

*03/05/50
11:20 Jones Beach, N.Y.*



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Action*

*1. ATIAE
2. Atria
3. R. File*

WPB026

YDC034

TYD016

TDD017

JEPQW 3008

RR JEDEN JEDWP JEPHQ 333

DE JEPQW 147

R 252100Z ZNJ

FM HQ 2500TH AB WC MITCHEL AFB NY

TO JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/COMDR ATIA WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASDC

(C) N/A

(4) (A) 0500Z 3 SEP 53

(B) NIGHT

(5) 73 DASH 30 W CMA 40 DASH 42 N CMA AT SURF ON BEACH BY TOWER CMA
JONES BEACH STATE PARK N Y

(6) (A) [REDACTED]

RELIABILITY FAIR PD MR AND MRS [REDACTED]

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(B) N/A

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(7) (A) VERY DARK NIGHT MOON AND STARS NOT VISIBLE WEA CALM NO
CLOUDS OBSERVED NO RESTRICTIONS TO VISIBILITY OBSERVED

(B) MITCHEL AFB WEA STA REPORTS CLN

6000 FT 320 DEGREES 11 KNOTS

10000 FT 320 DEGREES 10 KNOTS

16000 FT 340 DEGREES 8 KNOTS

20000 FT 340 DEGREES 21 KNOTS

30000 FT 350 DEGREES 17 KNOTS

50000 FT 350 DEGREES 23 KNOTS

61000 FT CALM

(C) 500 FT

(D) 2 DASH 3 MILES HAZE AND GROUND FOG

(E) BROKEN TO OVERCAST

(F) NONE

(G) NONE

- (1) (A) DIRIGIBLE
(B) BASEBALL
(C) LUMINOUS SILVER
(D) ONE
(E) N/A
(F) MAY HAVE HAD EIGHT WINDOWS CMA TWO TIERS OF FOUR EACH
CMA LENGTHWISE OF THE BODY
(G) APPEARED TO BE SLIGHTLY OBSCURED BY HAZE OR SMOKE
(H) NONE AUDIBLE PAREN BUT OBSERVER WAS STANDING AT THE EDGE
OF HEAVY SURF PAREN

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- (1) NONE
- (2) (A) THE ONLY LIGHT VISIBLE BETWEEN THE HORIZON AND ZENITH ON
VERY DARK NIGHT
(B) 15 DASH 20 DEGREES
(C) SAME
(D) STRAIGHT CMA HORIZONTAL CMA THROUGH 30 DEGREE AZIMUTH
(E) FADED AWAY
(F) OBSERVED TWICE CMA FIRST TIME TRAVELLING EAST FIVE SECONDS
CMA SECOND TRAVELLING WEST TWO MINUTES LATER TWENTY TO
THIRTY SECONDS
- (3) (A) GROUND VISUAL
(B) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) NONE

(11) CONSIDERABLE INBOUND AND OUTBOUND TRAFFIC NY INTL CLN NEWARK
CLN LAQUARDIA AND MITCHEL AFB NY CMA ALL OF WHICH WOULD PASS AREA OF
SIGHTING WELL ABOVE CLOUD COVER

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(12) MAJ JAMES A GEYER DO MITCHEL AFB THE TEMPERATURE BEING VERY WARM
ON NIGHT OF SIGHTING NUMEROUS TOURISTS HAD PARKED AROUND AREA OF
SIGHTING PD EITHER THE SPOTLIGHT FROM AN AUTOMOBILE WAS REFLECTED
OFF THE CLOUD BANK OR ROTATING BEACON WHICH IS ON TOP OF TOWER AT
JONES BEACH STATE PARK REFLECTED OFF CLOUD BANK AND WAS OBSERVED
PD THE HAZE RESTRICTIONS TO VISIBILITY

USED THE REFLECTION TO BE
THREE DEMINISIONSAL PD THE WINDOWS ARE A FIGMENT OF THE
IMAGINATION PD

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DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS:
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

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