

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 7 Mar 54	2. LOCATION Arlington, Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2340 GMT 08/0415Z	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		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE military		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Stars <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION two hours	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS four	9. COURSE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Appeared as stars except for movement. No radar pickup.			11. COMMENTS Astronomer, Dr Gessner of U S Naval observatory evaluated sighting as stars.

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CITE AFSSOP 2986
IN COMPLIANCE WITH AFR 200-2 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS FORWARDED
ON FLYING OBJECTS. ROMAN NR 1 DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT A. SHAPED-(3)
UNDETERMINABLE (1) OVAL-ROUND B. SIZE-STAR TO PLANET SIZE C.
COLOR-(1) RED (2) WHITE (1) FLASHED ORANGE, RED, BLUE AND WHITE.
D. NUMBER-4E. FORMATION-HORIZONTAL IN LINE. F. ANY OUTSTANDING
FEATURES OR DETAILS-FLASHING COLORS. RMAON NR 2 DESCRIPTION OF COURSE
OF OBJECT. A. OBSERVER WAS FIRST CALLED TO ATTENTION OF OBJECTS
BY ITS LIGHTS WHICH WERE MOVING. B. ANGLE OF ELEVATION ON OBSERVANCE
-8 TO 15 DEG. C. ANGLE OF ELEVATION ON DESSAPPEARANCE-2 TO 15 DEG
D. DISCRPTION OF FLIGHT PATH-IRREGULAR MOTIONS MOVING SOUTH WEST
E. MANNER OF DISSAPPEARANCE-1 FADED BELOW HORIZON, OTHERS FADED FROM
VEIW. F. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT-1 HR 42 MIN. ROMAN NR 3 MANNER
OB OBSERVATION-NAKED EYE. ROMAN NR 4 TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING A
TIME AND DATE GROUP OF SIGHTING-282415Z B. LIGHT CONDITION-NIGHT
C. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS-ARLINGTON NAAL STATION, ARL VA. D. NAME,
GRADE, AND ORGANIZATION OF OBSERVERS. 1. CAPT HYLE ARMY G-2 SRB,
DUTY OFFICER 2. LT SCHRRER NAVY OP 322Y1. DUTY OFFICER 3. LT REYL
AFSSOP DUTY OFFICER ROMAN NR 5 WEATHER A. WIND (NOT AVAILABLE)
B. CEILING-UNLIMITED C. VISIBILITY-UNLIMITED D. CLOUDS-NONE E.
THUNDERSTORMS-NONE ROMAN NR 6 NO ACFT LOCATED IN AREA AT TIME OF
SIGHTING

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SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

Transmitted herewith is Air Intelligence Information Report
as required by Air Force Regulation 200-2, dated 26 August 1953.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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AF Form 112

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COUNTRY United States of America		REPORT NO. 1-54	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object			
AREA REPORTED ON Arlington Hall, Arlington, Virginia		FROM (Agency) Director of Intelligence, Hq Comd, USAF	
DATE OF REPORT 12 March 1954	DATE OF INFORMATION 7 March 1954	EVALUATION Unknown	
PREPARED BY (Officer) 1st Lt Albert N. Hutchinson, Jr.		SOURCE 1st Lt ██████████ USAF	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) None			

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.)

The following information is submitted in accordance with AFR 200-2,
dated 26 August 1953.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency) Intelligence Division Headquarters Command, USAF	REPORT NO. 1-54	PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES
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1. Report of sighting an unidentified flying object submitted by 1st Lt [redacted] USAF, Duty Officer at Arlington Farms.
2. 1st Lt [redacted] reported seeing three, then soon after a total of four spheroid shaped objects. The object on the right was white, the middle was dim red, the other two seemed to flash different colors, they being red, blue and white. There appeared to be no sound and no exhaust from these star sized objects. ?
3. The objects were first seen at approximately 2340 hours, 7 March 1954, by Lt [redacted], who was at the time of sighting, the Duty Officer at Arlington Farms, a station located near Arlington Cemetery. He was looking through a window at the time of sighting, seeing three moving objects on a horizontal plane at an angle of elevation from 15° to 18°. The objects appeared to be orbiting in the area, and would intermittently climb and descend. Three of the objects seemed to disappear from view, but one did drop below the horizon. They all were viewed going in a southwesterly direction, and were seen for approximately one hour and forty minutes. They appeared to be as far away as the stars themselves.
4. The manner of observation was ground to air, and visual.
5. The location of observers was at Arlington Hall, which is located on Glebe and Arlington Boulevard in Arlington, Virginia.
6. Identifying information of the observers is as follows:
1st Lt [redacted], USAF, age 23, 6969th AFSS, Suitland Hall, Maryland. Reliability unknown.
Captain [redacted], Army, Arlington Hall, Virginia. Reliability unknown.
Lt [redacted], Navy, Navy Intelligence Service. Reliability unknown.
7. Weather conditions at the time of sighting were described by Lt Rayle as visibility 15 miles, no clouds, temperature 47°, dew point 31, and wind N at 8 knots. No unusual conditions were observed which might account for the sighting.
8. There was some air traffic in the vicinity, but it was sparse.
9. Upon investigation by 1st Lt [redacted], Jr., USAF, Intelligence Division, Hq Comd, USAF, the preparing officer, the following facts were brought to light. Lt [redacted] at the time of sighting checked with Washington National Radar and drew a negative report of any radar contact with unidentified objects. He also stated that the objects looked as if they were being controlled, and one had to watch them carefully to keep eye contact with them. In checking on the flying objects, the investigating officer contacted the Naval Observatory, and there talked with Dr. Gessner, an astronomer employed there. He offered the following explanation. An individual, with the naked eye, can observe a twinkling star, which may appear to be changing colors. Dr. Gessner said one could also observe a setting star, which would explain one of the objects going below the horizon in the west. High cloud cover, undetectable by visual means, could also explain the other objects disappearing from view. He said that he was quite certain that the objects seen by Lt [redacted] were stars, as he has checked into such sightings on previous occasions. In view of this information, the investigating officer is satisfied that the astronomer's explanation was sufficient to explain the unidentified flying objects, as no definite information can be obtained to believe otherwise.

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