

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 January 1955	2. LOCATION Forsyth, Georgia		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 12/1430Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian (Flight Observer)		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION two minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE NNE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Poss Illusion <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One oval, chrome or pink object, size of dime at arm's length, was seen by a flight observer through window of B-47E. Estimated obj at 20,000 feet above him, traveling northward. Observer estimated diameter of obj at fifty feet.		11. COMMENTS Investigated by Flight 2-C. In the opinion of the investigating authority the sighting was caused (possibly) by optical phenomenon, i.e., reflection of something in cockpit.	



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Statement of Flight Observer Lockheed Aircraft Corporation R.P. Colgan

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While flying as an observer on a B-47E approximately 30 miles SE of ATLANTA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT altitude 23,000 feet, at about 0930 hours on 12 January 1955, I observed a metallic, oval shaped object through the observers top window. It appeared to be reflecting considerable light from the bright sun, resembling the glaze of chrome, and was located at 11 o'clock and 45 degrees elevation. I called for the pilot, [REDACTED] to look at the high aircraft, which had the appearance of being about 20,000 feet above us, and having no visible vapor-trails. They both failed to see the object, and complained of limited vision from looking at the sun. The pilot then changed course to the left, and I advised him we were lined up on the target. It then accelerated in a forward direction, and displaced from about 7.5 to 20 degrees elevation in a matter of 1 or 2 seconds, while the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] became a pale pink. The object was now aligned at 1100 o'clock, and as the pilot corrected course again, the object repeated its previous maneuvers, and disappeared from sight. During this time, the altitude of our aircraft did not change, and it was impossible for a reflection to produce this phenomenon, as the refraction of the thick glass causes objects within the cockpit to appear as double images.

/s/ R. P. COLGAN  
Flight Observer  
Lockheed Aircraft Corporation  
Marietta, Georgia GA 30066

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1st Lt., USAF



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 Observer's Memory Sketch of Flight Path and of Object





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FM COMDR 35TH ADIV DOBBINS AFB GA

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/U N C L A S S I F I E D/INT 201 PD UFOB (1) (A) OVAL ELLIPTICAL (B) SIZE  
OF AN EGG (C) CHROME LUSTRE CHANGING TO PINK HUE (D) ONE (E) N/A (F) NONE  
(G) NONE (H) NONE (I) NONE (2) (A) BRIGHT LIGHT (B) 45 DEGREES, ELEVEN  
O'CLOCK (C) UPON LINING-UP ACFT WITH OBJECT, OBJECT CHANGED TO 20  
DEGREES (D) SHOOT OUT TO RIGHT, BACK TO LEFT UPON LINE-UP (E) WENT OUT  
OF SIGHT (F) APPRX 2 MINUTES (3) (A) AIRBORNE VISUAL (B) NONE (C) B-47,  
23,000 FEET, SOUTHWEST, 350 KNOTS, DOBBINS AFB (4) (A) 121430Z JAN 55  
(B) DAY (5) 30 MILES SOUTHWEST ATLANTA, AIRPORT ENROUTE TO MACON  
GEORGIA (6) (A) MR. [REDACTED], ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION, FLIGHT ELECTRONICS ENGINEER, 3 YEARS

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FLYING IN B-29 AND B-47, OVER 1000 HOURS (7) (A) HIGH CIRRUS, 30-35000  
FEET, THIN, SCATTERED, BROKEN, HAZY, SMOKE ON GROUND (B) 270/25 AT  
6, 265/35 AT 10, 260/70 AT 16, 270/90 AT 20, 230/110 AT 30, 230/100 AT 50  
(C) 25000 SCATTERED (D) 7 MILES (E) LESS THAN 6/10THS (8) NONE (10)  
NONE REPORTED (11) DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, 35TH AIR DIVISION-POSSIBLE  
CAUSE UNKNOWN DUE TO LIMITED INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM SOLE OBSERVER.  
(12) NONE END

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5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE <b>Civilian (Flight Observer)</b>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <b>Two (2) Minutes</b>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <b>One (1)</b>	9. COURSE <b>NNE</b>		
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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

UFGS

TITLE FOUSSY, GEORGIA		TIME ZONE EIGHT 2-G, 1602G AEST	
DATE OF REPORT 29 Jan 55	DATE OF OBSERVATION 22 Jan 55	EVALUATION B-3	
REPORTING OFFICER RICHARD C. VAUGHN, 1st Lieutenant, USAF		GRADE See comments below	
AIR 200-2 (12 Aug 54), Robbins AFB, GA (GADO 2954) (201 WFO 32/23592 Jan 55)			

## I. CATEGORIES

**PART ONE:** Report of UFGS sighted by Mr. Robert Colgan, Lockheed Flight Test Center, Robbins AFB, Ga (GADO 2954).

**II. SUMMARY:** One unidentified flying object was sighted approximately 22 miles East of FOUSSY, GEORGIA (GADO 0402). Information contained herein was obtained from an investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of this sighting.

**III. INVESTIGATOR:** W/Sgt CARL E. WENDLER, AF 69 730 86

*Richard C. Vaughn*  
 RICHARD C. VAUGHN  
 First Lieutenant, USAF  
 Officer in Charge

## APPROVING OFFICER:

*John F. Hines III*  
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 Colonel, USAF  
 Commander

(See Individual Reports)

1st USAF, Combat Army, D/F 35th Army (10), Combat 2-G, 1602G AEST

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### DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

a. The shape of the object was oval.

b. The size of the object was comparable to a (small) aircraft, estimated to be about 50 feet in diameter.

c. The color of the object changed from bright chrome to dark blue.

d. Only one object was sighted, estimated to be 25,000 feet above ground.

e. *1/4*

f. Object was (described as) observed through binoculars, no distinctive features or markings observed.

g. No tail trail or exhaust was noted.

h. *1/4*

i. No other pertinent or unusual features were noted.

### DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS OF OBJECT

Observation was made by [Observer Name] on [Date] at [Location]. The object was observed at approximately 10:00 AM. The observer was flying in the [Type of Aircraft] and was at an altitude of approximately 25,000 feet. The object was observed through binoculars and was estimated to be 25,000 feet above ground. The object was bright chrome in color and was estimated to be about 50 feet in diameter. The object was observed for approximately 10 seconds and then disappeared. The observer was at an altitude of approximately 25,000 feet.

The object was estimated to be 25 degrees from true north and 25 degrees from horizon.

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Other reports of the object were made by [Observer Name] on [Date] at [Location]. The object was observed at approximately 10:00 AM. The observer was flying in the [Type of Aircraft] and was at an altitude of approximately 25,000 feet. The object was observed through binoculars and was estimated to be 25,000 feet above ground. The object was bright chrome in color and was estimated to be about 50 feet in diameter. The object was observed for approximately 10 seconds and then disappeared. The observer was at an altitude of approximately 25,000 feet.

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Observer Name

Date

Location

Altitude

Time

Remarks



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c. Sighting was made while at home in a B-7D type aircraft at 25,000 feet, 100 degree heading. Home station is located at Dalton, Georgia (CAM 294).

4. Date and Time of Sighting:

a. Time was approximately 12/15/02 GMT 55.

b. Light conditions at time of sighting was bright daylight.

5. Location of Observer:

a. See paragraph 2a.

6. Identifying Information of All Observers:

[REDACTED] Dalton, Ga. 31  
 [REDACTED]  
 Atlantic, Georgia, present location - Dalton, Georgia, Dalton High School, 7 years college. Qualifications: Flight Observer.

(1) Observer further stated that he contacted [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] upon sighting the object, giving them position. However, they were unable to pick the object. They believed that a possible reason for not being able to pick the object was prevalent was [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] nature of [REDACTED].

(Civilian) W. V. [REDACTED] A/C Corp 98-1, Dalton, Georgia, Pilot.

(Civilian) W. D. [REDACTED] A/C Corp 98-1, Dalton, Georgia, Co-pilot.

b. 1/1

7. Weather and Windy Alt:

a. Weather at time and place of sighting was as follows: cirrus clouds 30-35,000 feet, haze. There was smoke on the ground.

- b. Surface from 270 degrees at 9 knots
- 6,000 from 270 degrees at 25 knots
- 10,000 from 265 degrees at 35 knots
- 16,000 from 250 degrees at 70 knots
- 26,000 from 270 degrees at 90 knots
- 30,000 from 280 degrees at 110 knots
- 50,000 from 280 degrees at 100 knots

c. 5,000 feet, scattered

d. Seven (?) miles

visibility less than 6/10

f. None

8. The following personnel and/or agencies were consulted with results as indicated:

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8. Weather Stations

- (1) Weather Station at Dobbins AFB, Georgia disclosed that they did not release any balloons on 12 Jan 55.
- (2) U.S. Weather Station, Albany, Georgia stated that no weather balloons were released immediately prior to or during the time of sighting.
- (3) Naval Air Station, Columbus, Georgia (COM 4155) disclosed that no weather balloons had been released and no aircraft had been airborne between 12/1400Z and 12/1500Z Jan 55.
- (4) A check with the weather station at Inman AFB, Fort Worth, Georgia (COM 1224) disclosed that they had released no weather balloons on 12 Jan 55. However, they advised that Maxwell Weather Station at WPAFB, OH (COM 3613) releases weather balloons continuously at six hour intervals.
- (5) Maxwell AFB Weather Station advised that no balloons on 12 Jan 55 released by their station could have been in the vicinity of this sighting at the time of the sighting.

9. Observations

- (1) Dr. Golder, Professor of Physics and Astronomy and Director of Bradley Observatory, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia (COM 2547), revealed that no unusual astronomical conditions occurred which might account for the sighting.

10. Electronics Personnel

- (1) The Electronics Engineer in Charge, Municipal Airport, Atlanta, Georgia, stated that no unusual radio fixes were picked up between 12/1400Z and 12/1500Z Jan 55.

11. Ground Observer Corps

- (1) Mr. Joe E. Fowler, in charge of GOCs at WPAFB, Georgia (COM 0405) stated that no reports of unusual sightings were made between 12/1400Z and 12/1500Z.

12. V/L

13. RF Traffic

a. Atlanta Control Tower, Atlanta Municipal Airport, HARTWELL, Georgia (COM 3239) disclosed:

- (1) Atlanta Report reported overflight of Resort Airlines (44-171379 at 0922 EST (12/1400Z Jan 55) en route to Knight-Patterson, DAVENPORT, Ohio, flying at an altitude of 7,000 feet.
- (2) Reported departure of Navy F4U, 1-9570 at 0922 EST (12/1400Z Jan 55) en route, flying at an altitude of 1,000 feet on top of the clouds.



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(3) Reported overflight of AF 5505, Baker 26, (position 5 miles SE of ATLANTA, Georgia) at 0335 EST (12/11/54 Jan 55) enroute from Langley Field, Virginia to Maxwell Field, Alabama, to DALLAS, Texas, flying at an altitude of 1,000 feet on top of the clouds.

(4) Reported on Feb 27 AF to DAYTON, Ohio AF 49176, Charlie 119, at 0357 EST (12/11/54 Jan 55) enroute from Tullahoma AFB, Georgia, to ATLANTA, Georgia, flying at an altitude of 7,000 feet.

11. Comments of Preparing Officer

a. Observer estimated the object to compare in size to a dime held at arm's length. He also stated it to be approximately 50 feet in diameter and that it was approximately 20,000 feet above him. These statements are in conflict in that a dime held at arm's length would cover an object with a diameter considerably larger than 50 feet at a distance of 20,000 feet.

b. The personnel in electronics, meteorological and astronomical fields who were consulted reported no balloons, aircraft, meteorological or astronomical phenomena or unusual sightings in the area at the time of sighting that could account for the sighting with the possible exception of the aircraft reported in par 10a (2) and (3) above. This coupled with the fact that no other crew member aboard Observer's aircraft sighted the object, even after it was pointed out to them, points strongly toward the possibility that the Observer was the victim of a cockpit reflection or an optical illusion.

12. Negative

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1. Statement of Flight Observer
2. Observer's Memory Sketch of Flight Pattern of Object

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COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICERS:

A check with the Control Center for System 119 L reveals that the project had no activity in the area at the time. Concur in comments of preparing officer that sighting was possibly attributed to optical phenomena.

*[Signature]*