

ROMMIECKI, R. M. A30

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>3 Dec 60   | 2. LOCATION<br>Keesler AFB, Mississippi   | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>Poss satellite</i><br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Locel _____<br>GMT 03/2325Z   | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clinometer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No   | 6. SOURCE<br>Military   |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>5 min   | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>one   | 9. COURSE<br>NE  |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br>Round white object size of average star, no tail, no sound, moving W-E from elevation of 24° at 300° azimuth disappearing at 3° elevation azimuth 060; straight flight path. |   | 11. COMMENTS<br>Request for satellite information not answered, however since this sighting has all the characteristics of a satellite in orbit, case will be carried as a possible satellite.   |

**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION**

AF IN : 9995 (4 Dec 60) N/gf INCOMING MESSAGE

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : OOP-3, SAFS-3, OOP-CP-1 (22)

RC 07/04 DEC 60

VM/HG/VM

OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

040025Z

FM DET 63 WEAGP KEESLER AFB MISS

TO CSAF FOR AFCIN-1B1

ATIC WPAFB OHIO FOR AFCIN-4A

PROJECT SPACE TRACK L G HANSCOM FLD MASS

BT

/ [REDACTED] /DET SIX DASH XERO THREE DASH MIKE DASH ONE PD

GLOWING OBJECT SIGHTED OVER KEEELLER AFB MISSISSIPPI AT TWO THREE

TWO FIVE XULU THREE DEC ONE NINE SIX XERO PD SIZE OF AVERAGE

STAR PD WHITE COLOR WITH STEADY LIGHT NO TWINKLE PD FIRST SIGHTED

WEST NORTHWEST TO WEST OF STATION MOVING EAST ACROSS THE SKY

PD WHEN FIRST CLINOMETER READING WAS TAKEN CMM IT WAS AT APPROXIMATE

AXXIMUTH OF XERO AND ELEVATION ANGLE OF TWO FOUR DEGREES PD FOLLOWED

UNTIL AT XERO SIX XERO AXIMUTH AND THREE DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON

PD TIME BETWEEN THESE REARINGS APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES

BT

Classification Cancelled

10th Dec 1960  
B/ Guzmanilla  
D/ 12 MAY 1960  
AFM 100-1, Pn 102a  
3 Jan 65

NOTE : Advance copy delivered to CIN.

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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| PRECEDENCE<br>ACTION ROUTINE<br>INFO  | TYPE MSG (Check)<br>BOOK <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTI <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE | ACCOUNTING SYMBOL<br>AF | ORIG. OR REFERS TO<br>DET 6-03-M-1 | CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE<br>CONF    |            |              |              |              |
| FROM:<br><br>ATIC WPAFB   |  |                         |                                    | SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS<br><br><i>(S)</i> |            |              |              |              |
| TO:<br><br>KEESLER AFB MISS   | <i>R SW FWS</i>  |                         |                                    |  |            |              |              |              |
| <br>INCLAS/AFCIN-4E2x <u>12-3578-E</u>  |  |                         |                                    |  |            |              |              |              |
| <p>DET 6, 8TH WEA GP/YOUR CONF MSG DET 6-03-M-1 DTD 7 DEC 60,<br/>     WHAT WAS THE SHAPE OF THE OBJECT? WHAT WAS THE COLOR OF THE<br/>     LIGHT? WHAT WAS THE ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT WHEN<br/>     FIRST AND LAST SEEN? DID THE OBJECT DISAPPEAR WHILE BEING<br/>     OBSERVED? WHAT WAS THE FLIGHT PATH OF THE OBJECT? REQUEST<br/>     ALL WEATHER DATA TO INCLUDE THE LAPSE RATE. REQUEST AN<br/>     ATTEMPT BE MADE TO CONTACT ANY OTHER WITNESSES AND FORWARD<br/>     ALL INFO IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 60, TO<br/>     ATIC, ATTN: AFCIN-4E2X.</p> |  |                         |                                    |  |            |              |              |              |
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| SYMBOL<br>AFCIN-4E2X                                   | SIGNATURE<br><i>Lee J. Autry Major</i>   |  |
| WRITER<br>ROBERT J. FRIEND, Major, USAF <i>14m</i>     | RELEASED BY<br>TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE<br><i>for:</i><br>PHILIP G. EVANS<br>Colonel, USAF<br>Deputy for Science and Components |  |
| PHONE 69216<br>SECURITY CLASSIFICATION<br>UNCLASSIFIED | RELEASER   |  |

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211637Z

FM DET 6 SWEA GP KEESSLER AFB MISS

TO WRIGHT PATERSON AFB OHIO

BT

UNCLAS DET 6 21-X-1 ATIC ATTN AFCIN-4E REF AFCIN-4E2V 12-3578E AMM THAT  
SIGHTED OBJECT ON LEAVE REQUESTED INFO WILL BE FORWARDED AFTER 28

DEC 60

BT

211645Z DEC RJWFKS

ATIC

174E2 (UFO)

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Detachment 6  
8th Weather Group (MATS)  
United States Air Force  
Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

30 Dec 1960

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF : Det 6

SUBJECT : Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio  
ATTN: AFCIN-4E2X

1. In reference to your message AFCIN-4E2X 12-3578-E, the following is submitted:

a. Description of the "UFO":

- (1) The shape of the object was round.
- (2) The size of the object was the size of an average star.
- (3) The color was white color with steady light, no twinkle.
- (4) There was only one object.

b. Description of Course of the "UFO":

(1) The elevation was 24 degrees and the azimuth was 300 degrees when first observed.

(2) The elevation was 3 degrees and the azimuth was 060 degrees upon disappearance.

(3) The flight path was a straight flight path from west to east.

(4) The object did not disappear and reappear while being observed.

(5) The object disappeared just above the horizon to the east-northeast.

(6) The object was visible for 5 minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

- (1) The observation of the sighting was with the naked eye with no optical aids.
- (2) A clinometer ML-119 was used to obtain angle readings only.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) The time and date of the first sighting was 2325Z, 3 December 1960.

(2) The time and date of the disappearance was 2330Z, 3 December 1960.

(3) The light condition was dusk. Sunset was at 2256Z.

e. Location of observer:

(1) The location of the observer was 70 feet above the ground in a Weather Observation Tower at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi. The latitude is 30° 24' north and the longitude is 88° 55' west.

f. Identifying Information on Observer.

(1) Richard M. Rominiecki, A3C  
Detachment 6, 8th Weather Group  
Keesler AFB, Mississippi  
Weather Observer  
Very good reliability

g. Weather and Winds-Aloft Conditions at time and place of sighting:

(1) The observer's account of weather conditions is as follows: Only scattered high clouds was present, no precipitation was occurring, the temperature was in the high fifties, and the wind was from the east at 5 knots.

(2) Winds aloft extracted from winds chart for 0000Z 4 December 1960.

Surface: 080/5 kts  
6,000' 170/20 Kts  
10,000' 160/15 kts  
16,000' Light and variable  
20,000' 300/15 Kts  
30,000' 300/40 Kts  
50,000' 290/45 Kts  
Winds not available above 50,000'.

(3) The ceiling was unlimited.

(4) The visibility was 10 statute miles.

(5) The amount of cloud cover was 3/10 of high cirrus clouds with 1/10 of it opaque.

(6) There was no thunderstorms in the area.

(7) The temperature lapse rate was almost parallel to dry adiabatic to 865 millibars, where a very strong subsidence inversion was observed.

h. This report is written in a letter form due to the fact that there are no AF Forms 112 at this base.

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Commander