

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Mar 61	2. LOCATION Ephrata, Washington		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2148</u> GMT <u>040548Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical VENUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 7 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE RADAR NW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other WX (RADAR) <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round objt, size of pea, changing white to red, continuous light until disappearance. Observed in level position at 2 o'clock. Disappeared on horizon at 2 o'clock. Objt appeared stationary. Spokane center called and confirmed a target was in contact moving rapidly to NW, suggesting objt moving away giving no apparent az movement. No break up or diminishing in intensity was noted prior to disappearance. Radar speed estimated at 1050 knots by Spokane Center.			11. COMMENTS Appearance of objt and its azimuth from the observer suggests that it was probably planet Venus. From witnesses' location and altitude planet would have been just on horizon and atmospheric refraction could have been responsible for illusion of motion and caused color change. It is believed that objt reported by radar was not not related to visual sighting other than by possible cause of both being due to atmospheric refraction. The objt of this sighting was probably planet Venus.

1961 MAR 4 09 19

TELEPHONED
TO St. Louis
NO. 71252
TIME 09:30
Date 09
By: 36

17 4E2 (UFO)
44X23

RF 112

CZCSQC183ZCQYDS63

PP RJEDSO

DE RJWZGS SA

ZNR

P 040800Z

FM SPOKANE AIR DEFENSE SECTOR LARSON AFB WASH

TO RJWFAL/HQ ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJWZBH/25 AIRDIV MCCHORD AFB WASH

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/HQ USAF AFCIN IBI WASH 25 DC

RJEZHQ/SEC OF AIR FORCE SAFIS WASH 25 DC

RJWFAL/CINCNOAD NINT ENT AFB COLO

RJEDSQ/COSMATIC AFCIN 4A WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZBF/PROJECT SPACW TRACK L G HANSCOM FIELD BEDFORD MASS

BT

UNCLAS FROM SPOIN 453.

FOR INTELLIGENCE. SUBJECT UFO

POSSIBLE MONE DUST

- 1. A. ROUND
- B. PEA
- C. CHANGING WHITE TO RED
- D. ONE
- E. N/A
- F. CONTINUANCE LIGHT UNTIL DISAPPEARANCE
- G. N/A

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H. N/A

I. APPEARED STATIONARY RELATIVE INTENSITY OF LIGHT REMAINED UNIFORM UNTIL DISAPPEARANCE.

2. A. NORMAL LOOKOUT

B. LEVEL

C. ON 14 OR 120N - 2 O'CLOCK

D. APPEARED STATIONARY

E. INSTANTANEOUSLY

F. SEVEN MINUTES.

E. A. AIRBORN VISUAL AND RADAR

B. NO AIDS

C. T-33 AIRCRAFT NO. 29549 MCCHORD 33,000 FT

260 DEGREES MC

210 K INDICATED

4. A. 0548 ZULU 4 MARCH 1961

B. NIGHT

5. 12NM NORTH OF EPHRATA VOR

6. A. N/A

B. MILLAR G/C, RCAF

DEEN, CAPTAIN, USAF

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25TH AIR DIVISION, HQ

RELIABILITY GOOD

7. -. CLEAR

B. SFC-270/03

5000-290/10 20000-300/35

10,000-300/10 30,000-300/60

15,000-290/15 40,000-300/40

C. CEILING HIGH OCST

D. VIS 50 MILES

E. CLOUD COVER TOPS 27,000 CIRRUS

F. N/A

G. GRADIENT ISOTHERMAL

8. MOON DUST ALERT

9. N/A

10. N/A

11. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER APPARENT VALID

SIGHTING POSSIBLE SATELLITE VEHICLE REENTRY.

12. SPOKANE CENTER CONFIRMED RADAR RETURN. RADAR SPEED ESTIMATED AT
1050 KNOTS. TARGET MOVING NORTHWEST VERY RAPIDLY.

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

UNCLASSIFIED

SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER

23 MAR 61 20 35z

TOT 23 20 53z

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PRECEDENCE		TYPE MSG (Check)			ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO	CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE
ACTION	ROUTINE	BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	AF	SPOIN 453	UNCLAS
INFO	ROUTINE						

FROM: ATIC W-P AFB

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

TO: LARSON AFB WASH *RJWZHK*

INFO: 25TH AIR DIV, McCHORD AFB WASH *RJWZBH*

UNCLAS/AFCIN-4E2x 3-1333

SPOKANE AIR DEFENSE SECTOR. YOUR MSG SPOIN 453, DTD 4 MAR 61, REQ CLARIFICATION OF ITEMS 2A THROUGH 2F, AND ITEM E. REFERENCE PAR 15, AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 59.

1430

DATE	TIME
23	1235
MONTH	YEAR
MAR	1961

WRITING	SYMBOL			SIGNATURE	
	AFCIN-4E2x			<i>[Signature]</i>	
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	Major Robert J. Friend			PHILIP G. EVANS Colonel, USAF Deputy for Science and Components	
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DE RJWZGS 11A

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FM SPOKANE ADS LARSON AFB WASH
TO ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

BT

6 APR 61 19 18

174 E (UFO)
374 E (UFO)
442 A
Friend

UNCLAS SPOIN 686. REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE AFCIN-4E2K 3-1333. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS ENLARGED UPON FOR CLARIFICATION. ITEM 2A. NORMAL LOOKOUT WAS BEING MAINTAINED WHEN A BRIGHT WHITE LIGHT WAS OBSERVED. B. OBJECT WAS IN A LEVEL POSITION AT 2 O,CLOCK WHEN SIGHTED. C. OBJECT WAS ON THE HORIZON AT 2 O,CLOCK WHEN IT DISAPPEARED. D. OBJECT APPEARED STATIONARY. SPOKANE CENTER WAS CALLED AND CONFIRMED A TARGET WAS IN CONTACT MOVING RAPIDLY TO THE NORTHWEST, SUGGESTING OBJECT MOVING AWAY GIVING NO APPARENT AZIMUTH MOVEMENT. E. OBJECT DISAPPEARED INSTANTANEOUSLY LIKE A LIGHT BEING SUDDENLY SHUT OFF. NO BREAK UP OR DIMINISHING IN INTENSITY WAS NOTED PRIOR TO DISAPPEARANCE. F. SEVEN MINUTES.

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06/1835Z APR RJWZGS