

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE AND TIME 10/10/52		2. LOCATION Lake Charles, La.	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. ALTITUDE 1000		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		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8 seconds.	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE E		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright white color. Elliptical shape. Hover to 1000 mph.		11. COMMENTS Written report coming.		

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

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1. DATE <i>29 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Lake Charles, La.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>1920?</i> Zebra: <i>200120Z</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite	<input type="checkbox"/> No
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted	<input type="checkbox"/> No
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made	<input type="checkbox"/> No
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent	<input type="checkbox"/> No
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:	<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input type="checkbox"/> Steady	
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes	
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>806TH Air Div Lake Charles AFB, La.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Night	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Day	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunset	

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

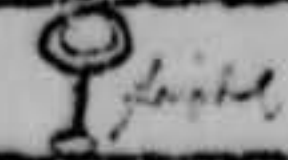

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IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 200 Minutes *or 260 minutes*

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Lake Charles La	P	AWS W.B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b.	" "	R	AWS W.B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c.						
d.						

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V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Unreliable
- Extremely Doubtful
- Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- Was Balloon
- Probably Balloon
- Possibly Balloon
- Was Aircraft
- Probably Aircraft
- Possibly Aircraft
- Was Astronomical
- Probably Astronomical
- Possibly Astronomical
- Other: _____
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

Written report coming. Times are not notated as being Z, CDT, or EST. Makes balloon analysis impossible.

PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SH

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION	3. STATION OBSERVING
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4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		

5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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7. CLOUD COVER: _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.	8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.
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9. COMMENTS:

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HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

DINC 350

15 SEP 1952

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) FLYOBRPT

TO: Chief,
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

The attached Air Intelligence Information Reports are forwarded as per instructions AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, subject, FLYOBRPT.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Hal E. Bisset

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MAJOR, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

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AF FORM 112—PART I
APPROVED 1 JUNE 1948

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

AREA REPORTED ON LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA	FROM (Agency) 44DI 806TH AIR DIVISION
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DATE OF REPORT 2 September 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 29 August 1952	EVALUATION C-1
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PREPARED BY (Officer) Lt Col Theodore I. Pascoe; 3363A	SOURCE Personal Interview with Observers
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) **19 Dec 1951**
AFL 200-5, 29 Apr 52, msg 44DI 806ADIV 5983, 2 Sep 52, and Ltr Hq USAF AFOIN-C/CC-2/

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.)

At approximately 1920 hours, Mrs. [redacted], and Mrs. [redacted], Lake Charles, Louisiana, were driving due north in their car. Both sighted the object at the same time. It was elliptically shaped, and bore two very bright, intensely white lights. The object hovered for about 3 seconds, then shot off due East over Lake Charles Air Force Base at a tremendous speed, calculated to be approximately 1000 miles per hour. Mrs. [redacted] was driving, and after the object had disappeared, Mrs. [redacted] looked back about 5 seconds later and observed a bright streak of red light moving in the same direction, along the same path, and at the same speed as the object first sighted. Mrs. Hale did not observe this last. Size of the object was undetermined due to darkness. No aerodynamic features, trail or exhaust, or system of propulsion were apparent. No sound was heard. Altitude estimated to be approximately 2000 feet. Mrs. [redacted] is the Credit Manager of Newstadt's Shoe Store, Lake Charles, Louisiana, and Mrs. [redacted] is a housewife. There was no wind and the sky was very clear.

At approximately 1930 hours, 29 August 1952, Mrs. [redacted] was working in her back yard at Moss Bluff, Louisiana, when she heard her dog bark. She looked up and saw an object of the selfsame description as that given above, except that it was not traveling at an excessive speed. Rather, it drifted slowly towards the earth, as if it were an airplane landing. An intensely bright white light cast a powerful beam towards the earth, such as an automobile headlight might do. The object drifted towards her home, and seemed to land in a patch of pine trees directly in the rear of the Hamchey house. Mr Hamchey ventured out to investigate, but could find nothing. There was no sound, trail or exhaust, nor system of propulsion apparent.

A check with the Lake Charles Weather Bureau reveals that weather balloons are released at the following hours: 0900, 12100, 0300, and 1500. A balloon requires an average time of 86 minutes to reach the zenith of its ascent (approximately 12 miles), where it bursts, and the radiosonde descends to earth in a parachute. The radiosonde embodies one small electric light to facilitate night spotting by weather observers.

Theodore I. Pascoe
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 Lt Col, USAF
 Director of Intelligence

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OR JESKH 17

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[REDACTED] 4DI 5923. FLYOBRPT PD REF AFL 20-5 29 APR 52 PD

POL REPT UNIDENTIFIED FLY OBJ SEM PD THIS IS CONSOL REPT OF SIGHTINGS
BY 3 SEP PERS CMA CIV IN LAKE CHARLES LA PD SHAPE CLN ELLIPTICAL PD
SIZE CLN UNDETERMINED PD COLOR CLN 2 BRIGHT WHITE LIGHTS CMA WHICH
SEEMED TO BE ATCMD TO OR A PART OF 1 SEP OBJ PD NO CLN 1 PD AERODYNAMIC
FEATURES CLN TOO DARK TO DETERMINE PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CLN NONE APPARENT
PD PRPLN SYS CLN NONE APPARENT PD SPEED CLN APRX 1000 MPH PD SOUND CLN
NONE PD MANEUVERS CLN HOVERED APRX 3 SEC THEN SHOT OFF IN DIR W TO E
OVER LAKE LA PD MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE CLN PASSED OUT OF SIGHT PD
TIME OF SIGHTING CLN 1920 HRS 29 AUG 52 PD LGTH OF TIME OBSR CLN APRX

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SEC PD MANNER OF OBSR CLN VISUAL PD NO OPTICAL OR ELECT EQUIP USED
PD LOC OF OBSR DURING SIGHTIN CLN GEO COORDINATES 29 DEG 3' MIN N 93 DEG
2' MIN W LAKE CHARLES LA PD LOC OF OBJ W/RESPECT TO OBSR CLN OBJ WAS
IN VICINITY OF MOSS BLUFF LA WHICH IS APRX 5 MI NE OF LAKE CHARLES LA
PD THIS LOC WAS AT ANGLE HALF RIGHT FRON OF OBSR PD OBSR WAS FACING
DUE N PD DIS AND ALT COULD NOT BE ACCURATELY JUDGED BUT SEEMED TO BE
APRX 200 FT PD IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSR CLN MRS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CMA OCCUPATION CREDIT MANAGER OF [REDACTED] SHOE STORE LAKE
CHARLES LA PD MRS [REDACTED] HOUSEWIFE PD MRS
[REDACTED] WAS DRIVING AUTO PD MRS [REDACTED] Y WAS PASSENGER AND SAW APRX 5
SEC AFTER FIRST SIGHTING A STREAK OF BRIGHT RED LIGHT MOVING IN SAME
DIRECTION AND ALONG SAME PATH AS FIRST PD EST OF RELIABILITY AND
EXPERIENCE OF OBSR CLN C-3 PD WEA AND WINDS ALOFT COND AT TIME
AND PLACE OF SIGHTING CLN NO WINDS SKY VERY CLEAR PD ANY ACTY OR COND
CMA METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE CMA WHICH MIGHT ACCT FOR SIGHTING CLN
NONE PD EXISTENCE OF ANY PHYS EVIDENCE SUCH AS FRAGMENTS CMA PHOTOS AND
THE LIKE CMA OF SIGHTING CLN NONE PD INTCP OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION
TAKEN CLN NONE PD LOC OF ANY AIRTRAFFIC IN THE GEN AREA AT TIME OF
SIGHTING CLN NONE PD THIRD PERSON TO SIGHT OBJ CLN MRS [REDACTED]
RESIDING MOSS BLUFF LA PD TEXT OF REPT IS IDENTICAL EXCEPT FOR FOL

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CLM SIGHTED OBJ APRX 1500 HRS 29 AUG 52 PD OBJ DRIFTED TOWARDS GP OF PINE TREES IN NEAR OF HOME AND SEEMED TO LAND THERE PD MR [REDACTED] INVES BUT COULD FIND NOTHING PD MRS [REDACTED] STATED OBJ DEF HAD A HEADLIGHT OF SOME SORT WHICH CAST A VERY STRONG AND INTENSE BEAM AHEAD OF IT PD THERE WAS NO SOUND PD CK W/LAKE CHARLES WEA BUREAU REVEALS WEA BALLOONS ARE REL 9000 CMA 21000 CMA 23000 CMA AND 15000 PD AVG TIME REQ TO REACH ZENITH AND RET TO EARTH IS 86 MIN PD OPINION OF THIS HQ THAT THESE SIGHTINGS WERE NOT BALLOONS PD WRITTEN REPORT BEING SEN THIS DATE PD

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