

4602D AISS UFOB LOG

REPORT NO. AISS-UFOB-282-55	DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING 23/0415Z August 1955	RECD HQ 4602D 23 Aug 55
LOCATION OF SIGHTING Grand Rapids, Michigan		LOGGED BY A/IC DeRudder
MEANS RECD TT Msg	ACTION No investigation authorized	
INVES UNIT N/A	DATE INVES ASSIGNED N/A	ASSIGNING OFFICER N/A
DATE IR RECD HQ N/A	DATE IR APPROVED N/A	DATE IR TO ATIC N/A
DATE OF FORM 5 23 August 1955		
COMMENTS Called Flight 3-C to authorize limited follow-up investigation but 30th ADiv had already investigation in process and had procured photographs. Requested photographs in duplicate or negatives. In the opinion of the 30th ADiv, the sighting was probably generated by astronomical activity: Star.		
CONCLUSIONS PROBABLY ASTRONOMICAL: STAR		

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 1964-555180 FORM 278 MAIL CONTROL RECORD 1 JUN 49 REPLACES WD AGO FORM 134, 1 JAN 42 WHICH MAY BE USED		SUBJECT NAME FROM EADP		SUSPENSE DATE DATE 8 Sep		NUMBER TYPE 2 Ind	
		B/L Det 4 4671 GOS 30 Aug 55		FILE DESIGNATION		R 407899	
SUMMARY Unidentified Light 4/20							
TO DI DATE 13 Sep		TO OF DATE 13 Sept		TO 4602 DATE 14 Sept		TO DATE	
REPLIED OR INDORSED TO		FILED (Place)		OTHER ACTION			

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Det 4 4671st Ground Observer Squadron, FCO, Subject: Unidentified Light

DI (30 August 1955)

1st Ind

3 SEP 1955

HQ 30TH AIR DIVISION (DEFENSE), Willow Run Air Force Station, Belleville,
Michigan

TO: Commander, Eastern Air Defense Force, Stewart Air Force Base, Newburgh,
New York

EAEDI (30Aug55)

2nd Ind

8 SEP 1955

HEADQUARTERS EASTERN AIR DEFENSE FORCE, Stewart Air Force Base, Newburgh,
New York

TO: Commander, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Attention: DCS/I,
Colorado Springs, Colorado

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2 Encls: (Not indicated in basic ltr)
1 & 2. Negatives (4 pictures)

DETACHMENT 4
4671ST GROUND OBSERVER SQUADRON
210 Fulton East, Grand Rapids, Michigan

FCO

30 August 1955

SUBJECT: Unidentified Light

TO: Commander
30th Air Division (Defense)
ATTN: DIF
Willow Run Air Force Station
Belleville, Michigan

1. Enclosed you will find photo negatives of an unidentified light observed and reported 23 August 1955.
2. In compliance with Horsefly's request, pictures were taken by the military of this organization and the following is for your information:
 - Picture # 18, exposure time 0610Z
 - Picture # 19, exposure time 0612Z
 - Picture # 20, exposure time 0711Z
 - Picture # 21 (not numbered), exposure time 0712Z
3. Research with astronomy giving 045° from north and 045° above horizon at 0630Z, as the location of this light. They report it at the exact location of the star Capella.
4. Information concerning this light was passed to Horsefly via 781st AC & W Squadron from this organization at the time of observation.

Kenneth H. Peterson
KENNETH H. PETERSON
Captain, USAF
Commander

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Long Distance Telephone Call

Comdr, 4602d AISS

AISOP

23 August 1955

0840 hours

Log No. #AISS-19

A/IC DeRudder

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

1. Telephone conversation between A/IC DeRudder, Headquarters, 4602d AISS, and Captain Francis J. Cunnion, Flight 3-C, 4602d AISS.

2. The undersigned called Flight 3-C with reference to a limited follow-up UFOB investigation of a sighting by GOC personnel at Grand Rapids, Michigan, 23/0415Z Aug 55.

3. Captain Cunnion informed the undersigned that he was familiar with the case and had been in contact with personnel of the 30th Air Division. Photographs of the object are now at the 30th Air Division, which has already conducted an investigation of the sighting, precluding an investigation of the sighting by 4602d AISS personnel. Although investigation of the sighting by the 30th Air Division established that the sighting can be attributed to astronomical activity, it was requested that Flight 3-C procure two (2) copies of the photographs to be forwarded to this Headquarters.

4. The undersigned asked Captain Cunnion if he had any further business with Headquarters and was informed that Flight 3-C requests orders be re-published sending 2/Lt Paul J. Finazzo to Fort Benning, Georgia, on or about 5 September 1955.

Ronald D. DeRudder, A/IC, USAF
AIC, UFOB Program

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FM COMDR 781ST AC&W SQ FT CUSTER MICH

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

RJEDBW/COMDR 30TH ADIV (DEF) WRAFS BELLEVILLE MICH

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

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/UNCLASSIFIED/OPS 08-126 PD UFOB REPORT IS SUBM AS FOLLOWS PD

1 A NO DEFINITE SHAPE

B HEAD OF A PIN

C GREEN CMA RED CMA WHITE

D ONE

E N/A

F NONE

G NONE

H NONE

I LIGHT WITH NO DEFINITE OUTLINE

2 A GOC OBSERVER SEARCHING FOR A/C NOTICED OBJECT MOVING

B 030 DEGREES CMA ELEVATION 10 DEGREES

C OBJECT STILL BEING OBSERVED

D OBJECT APPARED 030 DEGREES APPROX 3000 FEET CMA MOVED NORTH

CLIMBING TO APPROX 0 20000 FEET THEN TURNED SOUTH AND BECAME STATIONERY AT APPROX POSITION OF FIRST SEGHTING

E OBJECT STILL BEING OBSERVED

F OBJECT STILL BEING OBSERVED

3 A GROUND - VISUAL

B BINOCULARS - SEE ITEM 1

C NA

4 A 23/0415Z AUG 55

B NIGHT

5 GJEN2756

6 A [REDACTED] AGE 37 CMA [REDACTED]C [REDACTED]

7 A CLEAR CMA VISABILITY VERY GOOD CMA WIND NW 3-4

B NONE AVAILABLE

I NONE

9 THREE (3) F-86D A/C SCRAMBLED FOR INTERCEPTION PD NO AIR BORNE SIGHTING MADE PD

10 NONE KNOW TO BE IN AREA

11 CAPT KENNETH H PETERSON AO 940384 CMA 4671ST GOC SQDN CMA 210

EAST FULTON ST GRAND RAPIDS MICH CMA OPERATIONS OFFICER PD ANALYSIS

AFTER CLOSE OBSERVATION OBJECT APPEARS TO BE VERY BRIGHT STAR PD

12 TWO (2) PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF OBJECT

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