

4602D AISS UFOB LOG

REPORT NUMBER	DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING	RECD AISCP
AISS-UFOB-173-56	30/0110Z June 1956	2 Jul 56
LOCATION OF SIGHTING		LOGGED BY
Scattered points throughout So California		S/Sgt DeRudder
MEANS RECD	ACTION TAKEN	
TT Msg	No investigation authorized	
INVES UNIT	DATE INVES ASSIGNED	ASSIGNED BY
N/A	N/A	N/A
DATE IR RECD HQ	DATE IR APPROVED	DATE IR TO ATIC
N/A	N/A	N/A
DATE AISOP FORM 5		
3 Jul 56		
COMMENTS		
Concur with the reporting officer that this sighting was caused by a balloon. Everything fits the balloon hypothesis. Confirmation was received from 3rd WX that an unidentified balloon was east of the Los Angeles area two hours before the sighting and was drifting west. See winds-aloft on TT MS_g.		
CONCLUSIONS		
WAS BALLOON		

AISOP FORM 7 (2 APR 55)

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ENO006 ENA174 YDB116 XYC172 XDC151 JBA092

PP RJEDEN RJEDWP RJEPHQ

DE RJWPJB 16B

P 301855Z ZEX

FM COMDR 27TH AIR DIV DEF NORTON AFB CALIF

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON
AFB OHIO

INFO RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQS USAF WASH DC

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UNCLAS 27 OI TAC F-0550 UFOB PD.

1 (A) TOUND, ALSO IRREGULAR.

(B) PINHEAD.

(C) SILVER, WHITE AND ROSY.

(D) ONE.

(E) N/A

(F) NONE.

(G) NONE.

(I) AT TIMES APPEARED TO BE OSCILLATING AND AS SUN SET BECAME ROSY RED.

2 (A) VISUAL SIGHTINGS.

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(B) OBJECT APPEARED TO BE AT ABOUT 30 DEG ELEVATION AND IN ALL
INSTANCES IN A GENERAL EASTERLY DIRECTION FROM OBSERVERS.

(C) SAME GENERAL LOCATION.

(D) NO APPARENT RAPID CHANGES.

(E) SETTING OF SUN STOPPED REFLECTION OF LIGHT.

(F) APPROXIMATELY 30/0110Z TO 30/0330Z.

3 (A) GROUND VISUAL, AIR VISUAL AND GROUND ELECTRONICS.

(B) SEVERAL GROUND OBSERVERS USED BINOCULARS.

(C) F3D'S, FRONT PAGE BRAVO AND CHARLIE, 20,000 TO 40,000 FT. VARIOUS
HEADING, SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA.

4 (A) 30/0110Z TO APPROXIMATELY 30/0330Z.

(B) SUNLIGHT TO DARKNESS.

5 NUMEROUS OBSERVERS, GENERALLY LOCATED IN REDLANDS, SAN
BERNARDINO AND ONTARIO CALIFORNIA.

6 PHONE CALLS SO NUMEROUS CONTROLLER ON DUTY WAS UNABLE TO RECORD
ALL CALLS SOME OF THE APPARENTLY MORE DEPENDABLE ARE:

(A) MRS [REDACTED] YUCIAPA CALIFORNIA. PHONE [REDACTED]

MR. [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA. PHONE [REDACTED]

MR. [REDACTED] REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA. PHONE [REDACTED]

(B) COL. J.C. BAILEY, USAF, HQS. 1002ND INSPECTOR GENERAL, NORTON AFB.

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MAJ W/R. MALSAM, AAA LIAISON, 27TH AIR DIV. (DEF) NORTON AFB.
CAPT W.B. TAPPAN, USAF, ADCC CONTROLLER, 27TH AIR DIV. (DEF) NORTON
AFB, CALIFORNIA

LT J.G. HAEGLE, ENSIGN WILLIAMS, LT J.G. PEARSON, FAWTUPAC AIR DEF
DIV NORTH ISLAND NAVAL AIR STATION, SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA.

MARCH AFB FLIGHT SERVICE PERSONNEL

NORTON AFB CONTROL TOWER PERSONNEL

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7 (A) CLEAR

(B) 6,000 -210 DEG AT 6 KNOTS

10,000 -320 DEG AT 8 KNOTS

16,000 -230 DEG AT 6 KNOTS

20,000 -260 DEG AT 13 KNOTS

30,000 -250 DEG AT 11 KNOTS

50,000 - 200 DEG AT 9 KNOTS

80,000 - 060 DEG AT 8 KNOTS

(C) NONE

(D) UNLIMITED

(E) NONE

(F) NONE

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8(A) NONE

9 TWO F3D A/C, FRONTPAGE BRAVO, ON CAP MADE ORIGINAL VISUAL SIGHTING,
ATTEMPTED INTERCEPT AND COULD NOT REACH ALTITUDE OF OBJECT. TWO F3D
A/C FRONTPAGE CHARLIE SCRAMBLED SUBSEQUENTLY BECAUSE OF VISUAL
SIGHTINGS AND SCOPE READING (59,000FT ALT WITH NO SPEED) FROM P-76
MT. LAGUNA CALIF. THIS FLIGHT COULD NOT REACH ALTITUDE OF OBJECT.

10 ONE ADC UNKNOWN TRACK IN GENERAL AREA FADED JUST PRIOR TO FIRST
REPORTS. NOTAM FROM ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA AIRPORT RECEIVED AT
APPROXIMATELY 30/0600Z STATED THAT A BALLOON WAS OBSERVED IN THE
GENERAL AREA IN QUESTION AT APROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME AS THE
SIGHTINGS TOOK PLACE

11 INTERCEPTION AND IDENTIFYING ACTIONS CORDINATED BY CAPT W.B.
TAPPAN, ADCC CONTROLLER, 27TH AIR DIVISION. PREPARING OFFICER-MAJ.

9 , .. AHLS OM, DIRECTOR OF DIVISION INTELLIGENCE. MAJ AHLSTROM
AND CAPT TAPPAN BELIEVE SIGHTING TO BE A BALLOON, ORIGIN UNKNOWN.

12. NONE.

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ZOW DID U REC IT MATE

OK THIS WAS A LONG ONE GIVE U SOME WORK TO DO DO LONG U MUST BE

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FM COMDR 751ST ACWRON MT LAGUNA CALIF

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RJWPJB/COMDR 27TH AD (DEF) NORTON AFB CALIF

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTEL CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJAPHQ/DIRECTOR INTELLIGENCE HQD USAF WAUH 25, D.C.

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/UNCLAUUIFIED/ 751 OPS 108 PD

1. (A) TEARDROP SHAPE-TAPERED END AT BOTTOM. (B) SILVER DOLLAR
(C) WHITISH SILVER (D) ONE (E) N/A (F) APPEARED TO HAVE ROPES
HANGING FROM IT (H) N/A (I) N/A

2. ACCIDENTAL SIGHTING (B) 10 0'CLOCK 60 DEGREES UP (C) DID NOT
DISAPPEAR (D) VERY LITTLE MOVEMENT (E) NEGATIVE (F) FROM 0111Z
UNTIL DARKNESS

3. (A) AIR VISUAL-NO VISUAL AIDS (B) NA (C) F-3 ID V125870
ANGS 21000 . HEAD 270 DEGREES SPEED 300 HOME STATION NORTH ISLAND
NAS.

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4. -0/0110Z (B) DUSK

5. EJ DD 305

6. (A) N/A (B) ABERCROMBIE, J.T., LT. JG., FAWTUPAC, NORTH ISLAND
NAS, PILOT, VERY GOOD, AGE 25

7. (A) 200 SCATTERED (B) CALM, CALM, CALM, CALM, 270/15, 180/20
NEGATIVE. (C) NONE (D) 15 (A) SCATTERED (F) NEGATIVE

8. NEGATIVE

9. 4 F-3D'S ATTEMPTED TO READH OBJECT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS
BECAUSE OF ETREME ALTITUDE

10. NEGATIVE

11. 2ND LT. J.A. KAYTOR, DIRECTOR, 751ST AC&W SQ., BELIEVE IT TO
HAVE BEEN A BALLOON

12. N/A

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