

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27 Jul 49 27/224	2. LOCATION Point Barrow, Alaska 414
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (JUPITER)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Six Hours	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers spotted a light in the sky while tracking a balloon. The light moved from East to West at a rate of 3-4 deg per minute. The light was in view for approx six hours.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Dr [REDACTED] (astronomer) at Point Barrow with ONR stated opinion that the light was definitely a planet. AMC plotted the planet as JUPITER.
7. COURSE West	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Identified as planet

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INCIDENT NO. 414

1. Date of Observation 27 July 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact Time (local) 2240Z (1300 AST)
3. Place of Observation Point Barrow, Alaska
4. Position of observer Ground through 20-power theodolite
5. What attracted attention to object Light while tracking balloon
6. Number of objects 1
7. Apparent size
8. Color of object
9. Shape
10. Altitude 50,000 - 60,000'
11. Direction from observer 318°
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to West
14. Time in sight 6 Hours
15. Speed 3 -4° per minute
16. Sound and odor
17. Trail
18. Luminosity
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers Level flight
21. Manner of disappearance
22. Effect on Clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather Conditions

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Incident 414

Name and address of observer: Weather Station personnel at Point Barrow, Alaska

Occupation and hobbies:

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

NOTE: Dr. Sinley (Astronomer) at Point Barrow with ONR stated opinion that light was definitely a planet probably Venus. AMC plotted object as Jupiter.

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CO, Ladd AF Base
Fairbanks, Alaska

H. W. Smith
1st Lt, USAF
Special Analysis Section
Analysis Division
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Reference is KFWIN 10810. Desire detailed report of sighting by each witness as outlined in Air Intelligence Memo No. 4, plus all theodolite readings taken during observation.

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INFO ALS AIR COND FT RICH ALS

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH AIR INTCL REQUIREMENTS
RPT IS SUBMITTED. LFWIN 10210. UNKNOWN SHINY OBJECT SIGHTED
BY WEATHER BUREAU OBSERVERS AT FT BARTON SEA TOWN THRODOLITE
AT 272240Z. DIRECTION 318 DEGREES. OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE
AT 50-60000 FEET. OBJECT MOVING HORIZONTAL WITH NO VERTICAL
MOVEMENT NOTICEABLE. OBJECT MOVED FROM 318 DEGREES TO 326
DEGREES IN 8 MINUTES. SEEN THRU THRODOLITE BY MOST ALL WEATHER
OBSERVERS. OBJECT STILL BEING SIGHTED AT 272330Z

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FROM YUNGA BOSTON LADD TEL WASHINGTON AUG 10 1949
TO AWC WPAFB

REURAD AT 3646. ABOVE THEN 10540. REPORT OF SIGHTING IN 1949. POINT OF LIGHT INTERCEPTED WHILE TRACKING BALLS ON 100 POWER THEODOLITE. LIGHT SEEN AT 1300 HOURS APP 100 VEERING FROM THE SOUTH. FROM EAST TO WEST. 3 TO 4 SECONDS PER MINUTE. LIGHT TRAVELLED FOR 6 HOURS AND MOVED IN NORTHWEST PLACEMENT 34 DEG ANGLE TO HORIZON. REPORTED EMILY. 1000 HOURS AT PT BARROW WITH ONE RPT ONE STATED OPINION THAT LIGHT WAS DEFINITELY A PLANET, PROBABLY VENUS

CORR LAST WD IN 2ND LAST LINE IS LIGHT WAS

1. 1000 HOURS

2. 1000 HOURS

3. 1000 HOURS

4. 1000 HOURS

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