

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 30 March 50 30/2215Z	2. LOCATION Greater Pittsburgh Airport, Pittsburgh, Penna.
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON. Flight consistent with a Weather balloon and overestimation on size by the observers.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Object	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Round object 50 ft in diameter, white, at an estimated altitude of 2,000 ft to 2,500 ft climbing to 20,000 ft in 5 minutes. Hovered and climbed out of sight to the East at a speed of 50-60 mph. Speed of climb estimated at 5,000 ft per minute. Had what appeared to be an exhaust flame in the center.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Five Minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE East	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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REPORT NO.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT

Unidentified Flying Objects

AREA REPORTED ON

USA

FROM (If any) Intelligence Division, Hq MATS
Andrews AF Base, Washington 25, D. C.

DATE OF REPORT

11 April 1950

DATE OF INFORMATION

March 1950

EVALUATION

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PREPARED BY

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SOURCE

See below

REFERENCES (List of sources, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable)

SUMMARY: (Give concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at bottom left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112--Part II.)

Report contains information on seven alleged sightings of unidentified flying objects forwarded by various MATS Flight Service Center units. The sightings were all in the US and occurred during March 1950.

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e. At 2215Z on 30 March 1950, an unidentified flying object was observed at a point between two to five miles RNE of Greater Pittsburgh Airport. The observers of the object were 1st Lt Edward A. Fioretti, AC-802552, a member of the 2239th AFRTC, Greater Pittsburgh Airport, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who was on duty at that time as Officer of the Day, and Pfc Paul E. Runyan, AF 15267025, a member of the same organization, who was on duty at the time of the incident as a military policeman.

No photographs or sketches of the object were made, however, it was described as being round with a 50 ft diameter. Its color was white. The object was first sighted at an altitude between 2,000 and 2,500 feet and was observed until it went out of sight at 20,000 feet. It was observed for a period of approximately five minutes. The object appeared to hover and then began climbing out of sight to the east at an approximate speed of 50 to 60 mph.

The objects rate of climb was estimated to be about 5,000 feet per minute. It emitted no sound. No trail was given off by the object but it had what seemed to be an exhaust flame in the center of the disc. The object appeared to be shaped like a parachute 50 to 60 feet in diameter. It was flat on the bottom but circular in shape.

Comments of Listed Flight Service Center: Weather at the time of sighting was: Clear with 10 mile visibility.

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

Summer 1950
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

approx 6:30
Hours Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Western University London Ontario
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

3
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

memory

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

yes ✓

No _____

seen again by witness approx 2-3 min

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. If you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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8. If you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight—pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

a. Solid

b. Transparent
c. Vapor

d. As a light

e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer

c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred

b. Like a bright star

c. Sharply outlined

d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
c. Break up into parts or explode?
d. Give off smoke?
e. Change brightness?
f. Change shape?
g. Flash or flicker?
h. Disappear and reappear?

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

No
No
No
No
No
No
No
No

Don't know
Don't know
Don't know
Don't know
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Don't know