

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 Nov 1951		2. LOCATION Andrews AFB, Washington		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0320EST</u> GMT <u>18/0320Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian (Pilot)			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Strange object following Pilot Airplane (DC-4) for about 20 miles at 8000 ft and turned back. Object reported to be a star because of brilliant light it carried. Several other lights were seen on it also. Object appeared to be moving very slowly. Radar was unable to pick-up object. Object observed to pass under Venus headed South.				11. COMMENTS UNIDENTIFIED	

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HEADQUARTERS, 1050TH AIR BASE WING
ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

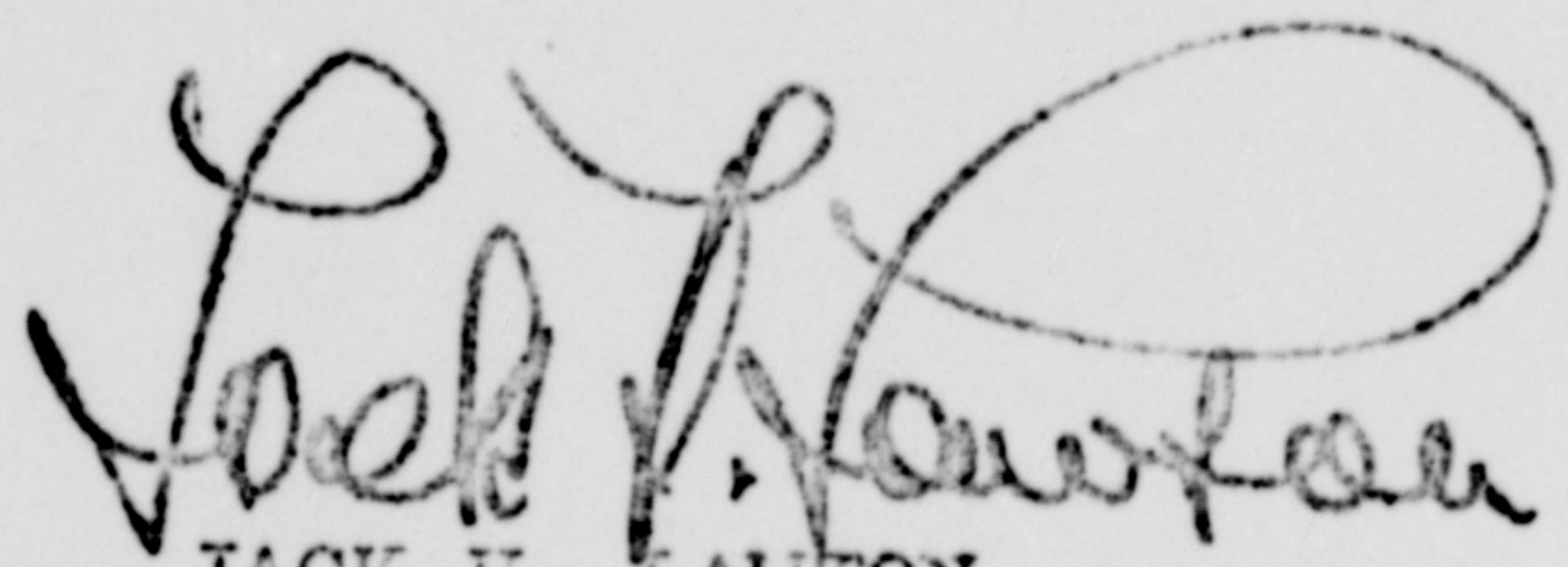
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SUBJECT: Report of Sighting Strange Object

TO: Directorate of Intelligence
Headquarters Command, USAF
Bolling Air Force Base
Washington 25, D. C.

Forwarded for your information is a report of a sighting of a
strange object as prepared by the Senior Controller at this station.

1 Incl ✓
Stmnt - Mr Thomas E. Selby


JACK H. LAWTON
Capt, USAF
Intelligence Officer

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Date; November 18 195

Time; 0320 EST

To ; All concerned

Subject; Strange object Reported by a Capital Air Lines pilot to DCA tower.

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At 0320 EST Washington tower called me and asked if I had seen any strange aircraft or objects flying around Andrews. I told them no. They then advised me that a Capital pilot, flight 610 had reported a strange object following his DC-4 for about 20 miles at 8000 feet. This object was reported not to be a star because of the brilliant light that it carried. Several other lights were seen on it also.

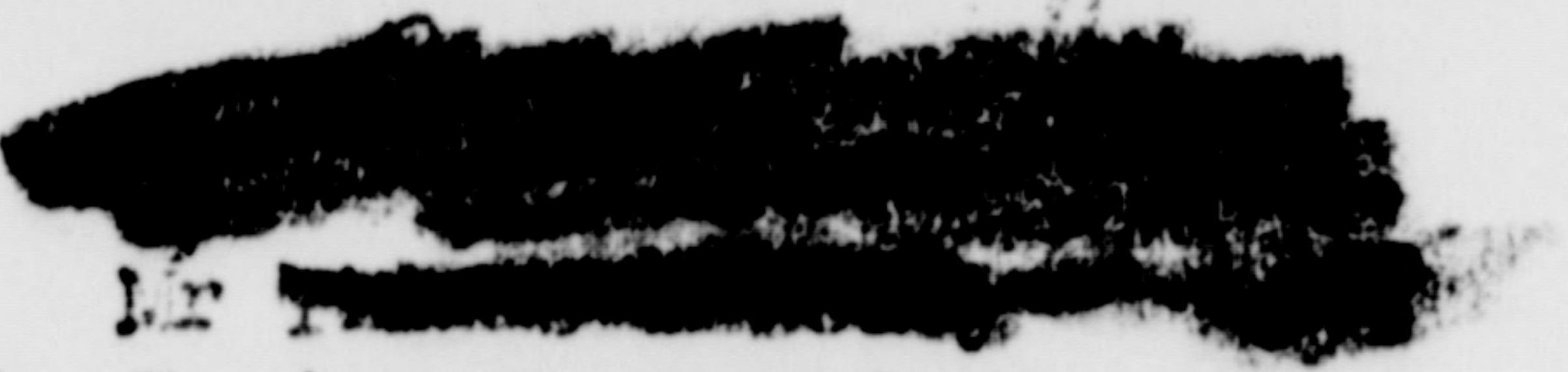
This object followed Capital 610 for 20 miles and then turned and went back. Washington tower then advised that the object was about east of Andrews. I saw it. It appeared to be moving very slowly, if at all. My attention was turned to some thing else and when I looked for this object again, it was gone. The only thing that I saw then was a bright star. I saw this same star before, when I saw the strange object. Later I saw the object again but it soon disappeared to the south. Washington tower requested an aircraft be sent to check it. Redman 22, a F94 that was in the area flew to the south but didn't see anything. Washington radar advised that they were unable to pick it up on radar.

Base operations later advised me that this object could have been Venus. Weather advised that on a cold clear night Venus stands out very distinctly and at times creates strange illusions.

Could be, but what I saw passed under Venus, headed south.

The above statements are certified true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Mr. [Redacted]
Senior Controller
Andrews Control Tower

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SUBJECT

(Restricted) Information for Project Blue Book

TO Chief, Air Technical
Intelligence Center,
Wright-Patterson AFB,
OhioFROM Dept of the AF
Hq USAF - AFOLN-2B3

DATE

COMMENT NO. 1

Capt Fournet/55894

1. The inclosed correspondence was forwarded to this headquarters by Captain Berkow, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Command, Bolling Air Force Base, but was not received in Headquarters USAF until 11 April 1952. The delay in receipt of these reports was caused by a misunderstanding concerning the proper method for handling this type of information.

2. Captain Berkow has been informed of the proper procedure for handling such reports.

3. Inclosures are forwarded for information and retention.

3 Incls

1. Ltr fr Capt Lawton
w/rpt f [REDACTED]
2. Ltr fr Capt Woodward
3. Ltr fr Capt Hostler

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Deputy Chief, Evaluation Division
Directorate of Intelligence

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