

10073 RECORD CARD

29 Sep 52

HICKAM AFB T.H.

1. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

~~XXX~~ Ground Visual

☐ Ground Radar

☐ Air Visual

☐ Air Intercept Radar

2. SOURCE

Civilian man

3. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 4. COURSE

1

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5. DURATION OF OBSERVATION

3 sec

6. BRIEF SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Civilian man sighted black circular shaped object about four feet in diameter moving in a straight line at the speed of a jet a/c. Object was over Hickam, flying toward ocean.

7. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☒ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

8. Description of Object
9. Location

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FLYCRPT

Hickam Air Force Base, Oahu, Hawaii

Hq Pacific Division, MATS, Hickam AFB, T.H.

6 October 1952

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Major John E. Rhode, USAF

Civilian - thru 1500 ABW, Hickam AFB, T.H.

Report #5. FLYCRPT received this headquarters from 1500th Air Base Wing, Hickam Air Force Base, T. H., on 6 October 1952. No distribution other than to Headquarters, MATS.

APPROVED:

INGHAM G. MACK
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Chief, Intelligence
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SECURITY INFORMATION

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1. Attn
2. Attn
3. C. files

RA240

WPD210

YDA188

TYC156

TDC209

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TO JEPHQ/DIRECTOR INTELLIGENCE HQS USAF WASH DC

JEDWP/AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER W-P AFB OHIO ATTN:ATIAA-2C

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

INFO JEN/COMPACDIVMATS HICKAM AFB TH ATTN:CHIEF INTELLIGENCE DIV

~~ABW~~ ABW INTEL C-896 PD FLYOBRPT PD ONE BLACK CIRCULAR SHAPED OBJECT ABOUT FOUR FT IN DIAMETER MOVING IN STRAIGHT COURSE OVER

HICKAM AFB IN WESTERLY DIRECTION AND HEADING TOWARDS OCEAN TWO ONEZERO

FIVE HRS LOCAL TIME ON TWO NINE SEP FIVE TWO PD SPEED OF TRAVELLING

OBJECT ESTIMATED BETWEEN THREE ZERO ZERO AND FOUR ZERO ZERO MPH CMA

ALTITUDE UNK PD OBJECT OBSERVED FOR APPROX THREE SECONDS BY MR

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE AT PEARL HARBOR PD NOSOUNDS CMA LIGHTS CMA EXHARST

VAPORS OR UNUSUAL MANEUVERS PD CLOUD LAYER AT THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO FT

UNCLN OVERCAST BROKEN WITH FIVE SLANT TN TO SEVEN SLANT TEN COVERAGE

PD NO ACFT SEEN AT TIME OF SIGHTING PD HOWEVER OBSERVER SAW ONE ACFT

FLYING OVER THE AREA OF SIGHTING ABOUTT FIVE TO TEN MINUTES LATER PD

Source: Mr. [REDACTED], civilian employee at Pearl Harbor Navy Yard, T. H.

1. On 29 September 1952 at 2105 hours local time, Mr. [REDACTED], a resident of Civilian Housing Area #3, observed an "object" in the sky which he believed to be a strange and unusual "flying object."

2. Mr. [REDACTED] phoned the report of the alleged object to Hickam AFB, Operations Tower. The report was made to CINCPAC and received by the 14th Naval District Intelligence Section and Hawaiian Sea Frontier. Further debriefing of Mr. Roach was accomplished by Major Rowe, 1500th Air Base Wing Intelligence Officer.

3. Upon interrogation, Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he had observed a black circular shaped object, about four feet in diameter, moving in a straight course, at a speed comparable to that of a jet fighter (estimated by Mr. Roach at about 300-400 miles per hour) over Hickam AFB in a westerly direction and heading towards the ocean. The "object" was observed for a period of 2-3 seconds before its disappearance.

4. Mr. [REDACTED] stated there were no accompanying sounds, lights, trails, exhausts vapors or unusual maneuvers. He was unable to determine the method of propulsion or recognize any conventional aerodynamic features of the "object." The "object" was first noted at the base of a white cloud which appeared close to the moon and was black and circular in shape. Mr. [REDACTED] did not see any aircraft flying at the time of sighting but observed at least one aircraft flying over the area where the object was sighted about 5-10 minutes later.

5. The cloud layer at 2105 hours on 29 September 1952 was at 3000 feet; overcast was broken (mackerel sky) with 5/10 to 7/10 coverage.

6. Major Rowe called Hickam AFB Operations for additional information and was informed there were no local aircraft in the vicinity at the time the "object" was sighted.

7. No other reports of a sighted object was received from any aircraft, military or civilian personnel. The area of the alleged sighting is within Hickam AFB and the adjacent areas are heavily populated.

8. Mr. [REDACTED] is a civilian employee at Pearl Harbor Naval Yard and has had some experience in observing conventional flying aircraft. He stated that his vision is normal.

COMMENTS BY PREPARING OFFICER:

Although the source was sincere in reporting what he interpreted to be a "flying object", no credence is placed in the report by this officer. It is dark at 2000 hours in this area and the "object" as viewed at that time of the day and at that distance could not definitely be verified.

JOHN E. RHODE
Major, USAF
Intelligence Officer

OBSERVER WAS STANDING IN CIVILIAN HOUSING AREA NBR THREE CMA HONOLULU
TH ABOUT ONE MILE FR HICKAM AFB TH
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