

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10/10/52		2. LOCATION Lake Charles, La.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☒ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. TIME 1000		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8 seconds.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright white color. Elliptical shape. Hover to 1000 mph.				11. COMMENTS Written report coming.	

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>29 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Lake Charles, La.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>1920?</i> Zebra: <i>200120Z</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
☒ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
☐ Normal ☐ Violent		
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: ☐ Blinking ☐ Steady		
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: ☒ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>806TH Air Div Lake Charles AFB, La.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i>	
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	☐ Yes ☒ No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	☐ Yes ☒ No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)	
☐ Night ☐ Day ☐ Sunrise ☐ Sunset	

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft	
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	☐ Yes ☒ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	☐ Yes ☒ No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☒ Yes ☐ No						
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: <u>200</u> Minutes <i>or 260 minutes</i>						
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:						
	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Lake Charles La	P	AW5 W.B.	☒	☐	 <i>light</i>
b.	" "	R	AW5 W.B.	☒	☐	 <i>light</i>
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE: ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Unreliable ☐ Extremely Doubtful ☐ Hoax	22. DETAILS OF REPORT: ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate
23. FINAL EVALUATION: ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☒ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
24. COMMENTS: <i>Written report coming. Times are not noted as being Z, CDT, or EST. Makes balloon analysis impossible.</i>	

(PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SH)

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
7. CLOUD COVER:				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					

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HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

DINC 350

15 SEP 1952

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) FLYOBRPT

TO: Chief,
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

The attached Air Intelligence Information Reports are forwarded
as per instructions AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, subject, FLYOBRPT.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Hal E. Bisset

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MAJOR, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

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4 Separate reports

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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY USA		REPORT NO. IR-133-52	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT			
AREA REPORTED ON LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA		FROM (Agency) 44DI 806TH AIR DIVISION	
DATE OF REPORT 2 September 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 29 August 1952	EVALUATION C-1	
PREPARED BY (Officer) Lt Col Theodore I. Pascoe, 3363A		SOURCE Personal Interview with Observers	
REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5, 29 Apr 52, msg 44DI 806ADIV 5983, 2 Sep 52, and Ltr Hq USAF AFOIN-C/CC-2/		19 Dec 1951	
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)			
At approximately 1920 hours, Mrs. [redacted], and Mrs. [redacted], [redacted] Lake Charles, Louisiana, were driving due north in their car. Both sighted the object at the same time. It was elliptically shaped, and bore two very bright, intensely white lights. The object hovered for about 3 seconds, then shot off due East over Lake Charles Air Force Base at a tremendous speed, calculated to be approximately 1000 miles per hour. Mrs. [redacted] was driving, and after the object had disappeared, Mrs. [redacted] looked back about 5 seconds later and observed a bright streak of red light moving in the same direction, along the same path, and at the same speed as the object first sighted. Mrs. Hale did not observe this last. Size of the object was undetermined due to darkness. No aerodynamic features, trail or exhaust, or system of propulsion were apparent. No sound was heard. Altitude estimated to be approximately 2000 feet. Mrs. [redacted] is the Credit Manager of Newstadt's Shoe Store, Lake Charles, Louisiana, and Mrs. [redacted] is a housewife. There was no wind and the sky was very clear.			
At approximately 1930 hours, 29 August 1952, Mrs. [redacted] was working in her back yard at Moss Bluff, Louisiana, when she heard her dog bark. She looked up and saw an object of the selfsame description as that given above, except that it was not traveling at an excessive speed. Rather, it drifted slowly towards the earth, as if it were an airplane landing. An intensely bright white light cast a powerful beam towards the earth, such as an automobile headlight might do. The object drifted towards her home, and seemed to land in a patch of pine trees directly in the rear of the Hamchey house. Mr Hamchey ventured out to investigate, but could find nothing. There was no sound, trail or exhaust, nor system of propulsion apparent.			
A check with the Lake Charles Weather Bureau reveals that weather balloons are released at the following hours: 0900, 12100, 0300, and 1500. A balloon requires an average time of 86 minutes to reach the zenith of its ascent (approximately 12 miles), where it bursts, and the radiosonde descends to earth in a parachute. The radiosonde embodies one small electric light to facilitate night spotting by weather observers.			
0 INCL [redacted]		<i>Theodore I. Pascoe</i> THEODORE I. PASCOE Lt Col, USAF Director of Intelligence	
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[REDACTED] 44DI 5923. FLYOERPT PD REF AFL 200-5 29 APR 52 PD

FOL REPT UNIDENTIFIED FLY OBJ SEM PD THIS IS CONSOL REPT OF SIGHTINGS

BY 3 SEP PERS CMA CIV IN LAKE CHARLES LA PD SHAPE CLN ELLIPTICAL PD

SIZE CLN UNDETERMINED PD COLOR CLN 2 BRIGHT WHITE LIGHTS CMA WHICH

SEEMED TO BE ATCHD TO OR A PART OF 1 SEP OBJ PD NO CLN 1 PD AERODYNAMIC

FEATURES CLN TOO DARK TO DETERMINE PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CLN NONE APPARENT

PD PRPLN SYS CLN NONE APPARENT PD SPEED CLN APRX 1000 MPH PD SOUND CLN

NONE PD MANEUVERS CLN HOVERED APRX 3 SEC THEN SHOT OFF IN DIR W TO E

OVER LCAFB LA PD MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE CLN PASSED OUT OF SIGHT PD

TIME OF SIGHTING CLN 1920 HRS 29 AUG 52 PD LGTH OF TIME OBSR CLN APRX

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SEC PD MANNER OF OBSR CLN VISUAL PD NO OPTICAL OR ELECT EQUIP USED
PD LOC OF OBSR DURING SIGHTIN CLN GEO COORDINATES 29 DEG 30 MIN N 93 DEG
30 MIN W LAKE CHARLES LA PD LOC OF OBJ W/RESPECT TO OBSR CLN OBJ WAS
IN VICINITY OF MOSS BLUFF LA WHICH IS APRX 5 MI NE OF LAKE CHARLES LA
PD THIS LOC WAS AT ANGLE HALF RIGHT FRON OF OBSR PD OBSR WAS FACING
DUE N PD DIS AND ALT COULD NOT BE ACCURATELY JUDGED BUT SEEMED TO BE
APRX 2000 FT PD IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSR CLN MRS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CMA OCCUPATION CREDIT MANAGER OF [REDACTED] SHOE STORE LAKE
CHARLES LA PD MRS [REDACTED] HOUSEWIFE PD MRS
[REDACTED] WAS DRIVING AUTO PD MRS [REDACTED] WAS PASSENGER AND SAW APRX 5
SEC AFTER FIRST SIGHTING A STREAK OF BRIGHT RED LIGHT MOVING IN SAME
DIRECTION AND ALONG SAME PATH AS FIRST PD EST OF RELIABILITY AND
EXPERIENCE OF OBSR CLN C-3 PD WEA AND WINDS ALOFT COND AT TIME
AND PLACE OF SIGHTING CLN NO WINDS SKY VERY CLEAR PD ANY ACTY OR COND
CMA METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE CMA WHICH MIGHT ACCT FOR SIGHTING CLN
NONE PD EXISTENCE OF ANY PHYS EVIDENCE SUCH AS PRAGMENTS CMA PHOTOS AND
THE LIKE CMA OF SIGHTING CLN NONE PD INTCP OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION
TAKEN CLN NONE PD LOC OF ANY AIRTRAFFIC IN THE GEN AREA AT TIME OF
SIGHTING CLN NONE PD THIRD PERSON TO SIGHT OBJ CLN MRS [REDACTED]
RESIDING MOSS BLUFF LA PD TEXT OF REPT IS IDENTICAL EXCEPT FOR FOL

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CLN SIGHTED OBJ APRX 1500 HRS 29 AUG 52 PD OBJ DRIFTED TOWARDS GP OF
PINE TREES IN REAR OF HOME AND SEEMED TO LAND THERE PD MR [REDACTED]
INVEST BUT COULD FIND NOTHING PD MRS [REDACTED] STATED OBJ DEF HAD A
HEADLIGHT OF SOME SORT WHICH CAST A VERY STRONG AND INTENSE BEAM
AHEAD OF IT PD THERE WAS NO SOUND PD CK W/LAKE CHARLES WEA BUREAU
REVEALS WEA BALLOONS ARE REL 1900 CMA 2100 CMA 2300 CMA AND 1500 PD
AVG TIME REQ TO REACH ZENITH AND RET TO EARTH IS 86 MIN PD OPINION OF
THIS HQ THAT THESE SIGHTINGS WERE NOT BALLOONS PD WRITTEN REPORT BEING
SEM THIS DATE PD

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