

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 Sep 52	2. LOCATION Kent, England		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. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 21/2230 GMT 21/2230	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE civilian - man		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 4	9. COURSE W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Four brightly illuminated, dinner plate shaped objects traveled information.		11. COMMENTS	

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS MARGATE (WFO 2323), ENGLAND		
AREA REPORTED ON Margate, Kent, England	FROM (Agency) 408th Ftr Bn Wg, APO 135-B	
DATE OF REPORT 3 October 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 23 September 1952	EVALUATION F-0
PREPARED BY (Officer) RANDALL L. CAUTION	SOURCE MARGATE POLICE and RAF MARGATE, ATE. OFF	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFM 200-5		

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.)

1. On 23 September 1952, the Intelligence Officer of Royal Air Force Station, Manston, Kent, England, reported by telephone that he had received a message from the Police Headquarters in Margate concerning four (4) unidentified flying objects. The RAF Intelligence Officer was informed as to what information would be required. Below is the report that was filed with the 408th Fighter Bomber Wing, Intelligence Officer:

23rd. September, 1952.

REPORT OF "FLYING SAUCERS" OFF MARGATE.

Sir,

I have to report that at 12 midnight on Sunday, 21st. September, 1952, Mr. [REDACTED] of 25, [REDACTED] Margate, came to this station and reported that at 11 p.m. when he was fishing from the end of the jetty extension at Margate he had observed four objects in the sky to the North of Margate which resembled "Flying Saucers."

These objects which were glowing brightly and were of the size of a dinner plate, were travelling in formation from East to West across the sky at a low angle from where the observer was sitting.

In view of the National publicity being given to these phenomena [REDACTED] was told that his report would be recorded in case similar reports were forthcoming from other persons in the district.

I respectfully suggest that this information be passed on to the R.A.F. Authorities for record purposes.

I would add that the informant was quite emphatic about having seen these objects and appeared to be a sensible and intelligent person.

Note. Distance not ascertained; travelled in formation and maintained constant formation (appeared low on the horizon).

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FLY OB RPT OBJECTS WERE BRIGHTLY ILLUMINATED, SHAPE OF DINNER PLATES,
4 OBJECTS OBSR, FORMATION 4 ABREAST, TIME OF SIGHTING 2230Z 21
SEP 52, OBSERVATION WAS VISUAL FR SURF, OBSR WAS MR. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MARGATE KENT ENG, WHO WAS FISHING AT
THE TIME, WEATHER, SH 3500, 5 MILES VISABILITY WITH
HAZE, WIND DIR 350 AT 10 KNOTS, ABOVE INFO AVAILABLE ONLY
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FROM (Agency)

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436th Ftr Bmbr Wg, APO L-5-2

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00 TO of Preparing Officer:

1. At the time of the reported sighting visibility was three (3) miles with haze, the wind direction was from 300 degrees at ten (10) knots. Further inquiries in the surrounding area failed to disclose any other sighting during the period reported.

2. The informant Mr. THOMAS J. THOMAS was contacted and he stated that he did not wish to comment further on the subject, he gave no reason for his refusal.

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