

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27 March 53 28/0225Z	2. LOCATION Mt Taylor, New Mexico
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION UNIDENTIFIED
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Sighting similar to a/c, however the speed indicated not in accord with this analysis.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was circular, the size of a pea held at 2 ft. It was bright orange, and did not change or fade. Object did three fast rolls and disappeared from sight, below. First observed at 26,000', lost at 20,000'. Object fell in a fast curve. Air-visual observation. Pilot descended from 26,000 to 20,000 at speed of 600 knots. Object moving at 800 knots. Pilot attempted to close on object. Pilot certain not a balloon. 3 p 82
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	
7. COURSE 340 deg	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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PP JEPHQ JEDWP JEDEN JEDKF 444

DE JWFRD 30A

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FM CG 34TH ADD KIRTLAND AFB N MEX

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25 DC

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JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

JEDKF/CG CADF KANSAS CITY MO

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//R E S T R I C T E D//OIN 01976 FLYOBRPT PD ATIC/ATTN: ATIAA-2C PD
CADF/ATTN:DIR OF INTEL PD (1) SHAPE CLN CIRCULAR CMA SIZE OF PEA TWO
FT AWAY PD COLOR CLN BRIGHT ORANGE CMA DID NOT CHANGE OR FADE PD NUMBER
CLN ONE PD AERODYNAMIC FEATURES CLN NEG PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CLN NEG PD
PROPULSION SYS CLN NEG PD SPEED CLN EST 800 KNOTS PD MANEUVERS CLN THREE
FAST ROLLS PD DISAPPEARED FR SIGHT CMA DESCENDING FR 28 ANGELS TO 20
ANGELS PD OTHER PERTINENT OR UNUSUAL FEATURES CLN NEG PD
(2) 1925 MST 27 MAR 53 CMA OBSR CLN 4 MINUTES PD
(3) VIS FR AIRBORNE FOX DASH 86 CMA 599 KNOTS CMA 28 ANGELS DOWN
TO 20 ANGELS PD

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(4) AIRBOGNE FOX DASH 86 FR PT ONE MILE E MT TAYLOR CMA N MEX CMA HEADING
APRX 340 DEGREES CMA LAST SIGHTING AT NF 3449 CMA 60 MILES FR PETER
DASH 8 SITE PD

(5) OBSR BY AF PLT OF EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE CMA RELIABILITY CONSIDERED
EXC PD

(6) WX CLEAR CMA VISIBILITY 60 MILES CMA WINDS ALOFT 10 ANGELS 310
DEGREES CMA 5 KNOTS SMCLN 20 ANGELS 290 DEGREES AT 25 KNOTS SMCLN 30
ANGELS CMA 290 DEGREES AT 50 KNOTS SMCLN 40 ANGELS CMA 290 DEGREES AT
55 KNOTS PD

(7) WX BALLOON REL 1400 MST PD PLT CERTAIN OBJ WAS NOT BALLOON PB

(8) NEG PD

(9) PLT ATTEMPTED CHASE CMA WAS UNABLE TO CLOSE IN ON OBJ WHICH
DISAPPEARED IN APPARENTLY DECENDING CURVE PD

(10) ALL TRAFFIC IN AREA IDENTIFIABLE PD

(11) REMARKS CLN POSSIBLE SAME OBJ SIGHTED APRX 1930 MST BY SECOND PLT
WHO PURSUED OBJ ON COURSE APRX 170 DEGREES PD UNABLE TO CLOSE PD ON STEADY
COURSE APRX 160 MILES PD SECOND PLT PEPT OBJ CHANGED COLOR ORANGE TO
GREEN PD END PD

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