

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8 July 1954		2. LOCATION Victoria, San Antonio, Edna, Texas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical METEOR ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2040 CST GMT 09/0240Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE 3 Civilians			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10-15 Seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE NE & E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rocket type. Blue flames trailing.				11. COMMENTS	

1 Witness

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EDNA TEXAS

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HEADQUARTERS
450TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
Foster Air Force Base
Victoria, Texas

09 AUG 1954

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SUBJECT: Air Intelligence Information Report

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

In accordance with AFR 200-2, as amended, dated 26 August 1953,
attached is Air Intelligence Information Report (AF Form 112) pertaining
to unidentified object over Edna, Texas.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
AF Form 112, Parts I & II

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TO JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INT CEN WRIGHT PATT AFB OHIO

JEPHQ/DIR OF INT HQ USAF WASH DC

JESDF/COMDR 9TH AF POPE AFB NC

0112G: UFOB. FOL INFO REC THIS B FROM CARSWELL FLT SERVICE

CENTER CARSWELL AFB TEX AT APRX 2130 HRS CST 8 JUL 54: PLT OF

TRANS-TEXAS FLT NUMBER 22 OVER EDNA, TEX REPTD SIGHTING RKT-TYPE

OBJ BELOW 4,000 FT FLY IN THE DIRECTION OF NORTH-EAST. BLUE

FLAMES TRAILING, TIME SIGHTED 2040 HRS, CST. SECOND REPT FROM

FLT SERVICE CENTER WAS FROM TRANS-TEXAS FLT NUMBER 23 ON THE

GROUND AT ALOE FLD, VICTORIA TEX. PLT REPT OBJ APRX TWENTY

DEG ABOVE HORIZON, TRAILING BLUE FLAMES, PLT ESTD BELOW 4,000

FT. THR THIRD REPT WAS FROM GROUND OBSVR, OPR X-G, SAN ANTONIO,

TEX, METEOR-LIKE OBJ REPT EAST TWENTY DEG ABOVE HORIZON, FLY

WEST TO EAST. PLT OF TRANS-TEXAS FLT NUMBER 22 W/B INTERVIEWED

THIS DATE UPON HIS RTN TO ALOE FLD, VICTORIA, TEX AND INFO RQR

BY PARA 6B, AFR 200-2 W/B FWD ASAP.

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10. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting. Foster Tower reported no known traffic.

11. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sightings. Assistant Air Operations Officer. One jet aircraft (F-86F) from this station was airborne at time of report, but was at 40,000 feet. No other jet aircraft were reported in the local area. Preliminary analysis indicates a meteor is the most probable cause of the sighting. There exists the remote and unlikely possibility that the object was a jet aircraft equipped with after burner, with the A.B. in operation.

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have identification of ship logged. 2,000 ft, heading 233°. Speed 170 mph. Home station, Houston, Texas.

4. Time and date of sighting: Approximately 8:08 PM, on night of July 8th, 1954.

a. Time-date group of sighting. 09/0208 July 54, Z-time.

b. Light conditions (use one of the following terms): Night, day, dawn, dusk. Night.

5. Location of observer. Exact latitude and longitude of each observer, or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark. Approximately 10 miles north east of Edna, Tex.

a. Civilian—Name, age, mailing address, occupation. [REDACTED] age 34, address [REDACTED], Houston, Tex. Airline Captain. Co-pilot [REDACTED] Trans-Texas Airways, Houston, Tex.

6. Weather and winds aloft conditions and place of sighting:

2030 hours 3,000 feet clouds scattered
Temp 83 Due Point 76
Wind SSE at 9 knots

2100 hours High altitude winds:

6,000'	170 degrees	15 knots
10,000'	200 "	15 knots
16,000'	210 "	15 knots
20,000'	Light & variable	
30,000'	90 degrees	10 knots
45,000'	100 degrees	30 knots

a. Observers account of weather conditions. Excellent.

b. Ceiling. Clear.

c. Visibility. 30 miles.

d. Amount of cloud cover. None.

e. Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located. None.

7. Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting. Possibility it was a fallen meteorite, as looked similar. Sky was very clear.

8. Existence of any physical evidence of the sighting, such as materials and photographs. None.

9. Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives). Contacted Foster Tower, and asked if they had any Jet traffic in area. Tower advised negative. Gave Foster Tower description of object.

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1. Description of the object:
 - a. Shape - Only saw a bluish burst of light, traveling north eastward and slightly diving.
 - b. Size compared to a known object (use one of the following terms: head of a pin, bead, dime, nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit, or basketball) held in the hand at about arms length: At least a basketball, only much larger.
 - c. Color - Blue.
 - d. Number - One.
 - e. Any discernible features or details. Left streak of fire behind, similar to a comet.
 - f. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object. Left streak of flame, whole flame similar to shape of wing gas tanks.
 - g. Sound. If heard, describe sound. None.
 - h. Was just a big ball of blue flame.
2. Description of course of object: Was north of Edna, Tex.
 - a. What first called the attention of observe to the object: By bright flash.
 - b. Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object when first observed: Passed to right. First saw it approximately 4,000', was slightly diving and passed below and to right of us, heading in north east direction.
 - c. Angle of elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance. Approximately 1500' heading in slight diving attitude in north east direction.
 - d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object: Was slightly diving during our observance of object.
 - e. Manner of disappearance of object: Flame vanished after few seconds.
 - f. Length of time in sight: 10 or 15 seconds.
3. Manner of observation:
 - a. Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, air-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. (If electronic, specify type or radar). Air-visual.
 - b. Statement as to optical aids: None.
 - c. If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed and home station: DC3 aircraft, do not

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COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object (UFOB)		
AREA REPORTED ON		FROM (Agency) 450th FB Wg, Foster AFB, Tex
DATE OF REPORT 6 August 1954	DATE OF INFORMATION 26 July 1954	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) 1st Lt Francis A. Swartz		SOURCE Trans-Texas Airways Pilot (Civilian)
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2, message G112G, Foster AFB, Tex. dtd 9 Jul 54		
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.) Unidentified flying object sighted over Edna, Texas. Significance considered to be minor.		
1 INCL. Part II, AF Form 112		
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