

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 August 1954		2. LOCATION Maxwell AFB, Alabama		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 12/0154Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☒ Was Astronomical MARS ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military and Civilian		☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 35 Minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE N.W. Stationary	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Baseball size. White light becoming red, then orange and black to white. Disappeared by fading. Helos scrambled for identification. Could not close on object.				11. COMMENTS SPICA set 2100. Mars in SW at 20 deg elevation, Arcturus 290 deg, az 15 deg elevation, Setting at 233 deg. Antares at 240 deg az setting at 233 deg. No object sets at conclusion of sighting. Description indicates Astro Body. Mars most probable.	

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ACTION

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JEPFF/COMMANDER MILLITARY AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE WASHINGTON

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1 DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

- . UNKNOWN

B. A BASEBALL AT ARMS LENGTH, THEN GREW SMALLER

C. WHITE LIGHT BECOMING RED THEN ORANGE AND BACK TO WHITE NOT

AN AIRLINER

D. ONE 1

E. N/A

F. F/A

G. N/A

H. N/A

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I. N/A2. DESCRIPTION OD COURSE OF OBJECT

- A. VISUALLY OBSERVED TO THE WEST
- B. 2500 FT. DUE WEST AT 270 DEGREES FROM LSF TOWER
- C. WENT DOWN TO 1500 FT. AND DISAPPEARED AT 270 DEGREES
- D. WENT FROM 2500 FT. DOWN TO 1500 FT.
- E. FADED OUT
- F. 35 MINUTES

3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

- A. VISUAL FROM GROUND AND THE AIR
- B. NONE
- C. ARMY HELICOPTER H19 267 WESTERLY HEADING 270 AIRSPEED
35 KNOTS AT 2500 FT. 506TH HELICOPTER COMPANY FT.
BENNING GA.

4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

- A. 120156Z
- B. NIGHT

5. LOCATIONS OF OBSERVER

OBSERVED FROM LAWSON AFT TOWER 3220N 8500W

6. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS:

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ CAA BOX ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ CAA RADIO OPERATOR COLUMBESS

RADIO SUPERIOR RELIABILITY. MILITARY

A/1C CHASELEWIS TOWER OPERATION 1926-3 AACCS DETACHMENT

LAWSON AF, GA. A/1C WILLIAM N. WATSON 1926-3 AACCS

DETACHMENT TOWER OPERATION LAWSON AFB, GA.

WOJG R.T. WADE 56TH HELICOPTER COMPANY FT. BENNING, GA.

WOJG G.S. TARMA 56TH HELICOPTER COMPANY FT. BENNING, GA.

A/2C O.A. REGISTER HQS SQDN AIR BASE GROUP LAWSON AF, GA.

ALL SUPERIOR

7. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTING::

A. CLEAR AND WINDS CALM

B. SURFACE CALM DEGREES CALM KNOTS

6,000 FEET 400 DEGREES 15 KNOTS

10,000 FEET 350 DEGREES 15 KNOTS

16,000 FEET 350 DEGREES 10 KNOTS

22,000 FEET 320 DEGREES 10 KNOTS

30,000 FEET 340 DEGREES 20 KNOTS

38,000 FEET 300 DEGREES 25 KNOTS

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C. CEILING NO CEILING

D. VISIBILITY 15 PLUS

E. CLOUD COVER NONE

F. THUNDERSTORMS NONE

G. NONE

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE

K. OPERATIONS OFFICE MAXWELL FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER, MAXWELL

AFB ALABAMA

HAYNES N. HUNTER CAPT USAF

ASSIST OPS OFFICER

SIGNED GOLINSKY END.

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Y 120445Z

FM COMDR FLIGHT SERV CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA

TO COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO SPGS COLO

SEC DEF WASHDC

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AT 120154Z TOWER OBSERVED AND REPORTED TO BASE OPERATIONS STRANGE
STATIONARY OBJECT VARIABLE IN BRILLANCE LOCATED DUE WEST OF TOWER.
AFTER INITIAL SIGHTING OF STATIONARY OBJECT IT UNEXPECTEDLY GAINED
APPARENT HIGH VELOCITY AND SPEEDED ACROSS THE SKY IN NNW HEADING
WHICH WAS FOLLOWED BY IT'S RETURN TO IT'S ORIGINAL POSITION IN
RELATION TO THE TOWER AND A NOTICABLE DESCENT AND MOTIONLESS.
TOWER IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED OPERATIONS AND DISPATCHED A LOCAL
HELICOPTER NBR ARMY267 TO OBSERVE THE PHENOMENA. HELICOPTER
STATED THAT OBJECT WAS DEFINITELY NOT A STAR WAS APPROX IMATELY
20 MILES WEST AT 2000 FT. HIS FUEL WOULD NOT PERMIT FURTHER

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ACTION

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OBSERVATION. AT 0156Z AIRDROME OFFICER AND DRIVER OBSERVED MYSTERY
OBJECT. AIRDROME OFFICER PROCEED TO TOWER FOR FURTHER OBSERVATION.
AT 0205Z TWO MEMBERS OF ALERT CREW OBSERVED OBJECT FROM TOWER.
COLUMBUS CAA RADIO ALSO HAS OBJECT IN SIGHT. THE OBJECT THEN BECAME
DIMMER AND SHOWING A SLIGHT RED GLOW. AT 0226Z OBJECT STILL STATIONARY
SEVERAL RACURRANCE OF VARIABLE BRILLANCY SHOWN AND NOW BECOMING
EXTREMELY DIMMER. 0227Z HELICOPTER 294 RETURNING FROM MISSION
SIGHTED OBJECT AND PROCEEDED TOWARD IT. AT 0229Z OBJECT COMPLETELY
DISAPPEARED AND PILOT OF 294 LOST SIGHT OF IT. AT 0240Z ARMY
OPERATIONS CALLED AND ADVISED THAT PILOT OF HELICOPTERS WISHED TO
STREE FACT THAT OBJECT WAS OF A SAUCER LIKE NATURE CMA WAS STATIONARY
AND AT 2000 FT. AND WOULD BE GLAD TO BE CALLED UPON TO VERIFY ANY
STATEMENTS AND ACT AS WITNESSES. THIS REPORT HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM
TOWER AND OPERATIONS REPORT. EYE WITNESSES WHO AGREE WITH ALL
STATEMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS. A1C CHARLES LEWIS AF12391185 AACS
DETACHMENT 1926-E LAWSON AF CMA AND A/1C WILLIAM N. WATSON
AF14388250 ^{1926-E} QOWYAE AACS DETACHMENT LAWSON AFB THERE WERE TOWER
OPERATORS ON DUTY.

PILOTS OF ARMY HELICOPTERS WERE CMA R. T. WADE WOJG W22038773 506TH
HELICOPTER COMPANY FT. GENNING GA. U.S. TARMA WOJG W2153299 ^{506TH} TPYTH

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HELICOPTER COMPANY FT. BENNING GA.

JAGH [REDACTED] S CAA BOX 1087 [REDACTED] CHA CA. CAA RADIO OPERATOR

COLUMBUS RADIO. O. A. REGISTER AF13455155 HQS. SQDN AIR BASE GROUP

LAWSON AF BASE OPERATIONS DISPATCHER ON DUTY.

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