

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 5 October 1954 06/00/5Z (Night)	2. LOCATION Houston, Texas
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION PROBABLE ASTRONOMICAL: STAR
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 Min Still in sight	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Round - white, red, blue, changing rotation. Did not disappear. 70 deg elevation, 45 deg az.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	Possible a star. No significant Astro body in reported position. Possible error in elev or azimuth. Sighting characteristic of Astro body.
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM

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Houston, TEXAS
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PP JEDEN JEDST JEDWP JEPJK JWFGO 555

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P 062100Z

FM COMDR ELLINGTON AFB TEX

TO JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/COMDR ATIC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JWFGO/COMDR FTAF WACO TEX

INFO JEDST/COMDR ATRC SCOTT AFB ILL

JEPJK/ DIR INTER HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

G126K. UFCB/REF AFR 222-2, DTD 26 AUG 53.

1A ROUND

1B OBSERVER DID NOT KNOW

1C WHITE, RED, BLUE CHANGING IN ROTATION

1D ONE

1E N/A

1F NONE.

1G NONE

1H NONE

1I NONE

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2A OBSERVER GAZING AT SKY

2B 73 DEG ELEVATION 45 DEG AZIMUTH

2C 73 DEG ELEVATION 45 DEG AZIMUTH

2D STATIONARY

2E DID NOT DISAPPEAR

2F FIFTEEN MINUTES

3A GROUND-VISUAL

3B NONE

3C N/A

4A 26345Z OCT

4B NIGHT

5 29 DEG 44 MINUTES NORTH LAITUDE, 95 DEG 25 MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE

6 A ~~REDACTED~~, CIVILIAN, AGE 27, ~~REDACTED~~, HOUSTON,
TEXAS, BUS DRIVER, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN

6B N/A

7A CLEAR SKY, SLIGHT BREEZE

7B REPT AS OF 263100Z OCT WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY AT SURFACE 113
DEG 4 KT, 6,000 FEET 120 DEG 23 KT, 10,000 FEET 110 DEG 22 KTS 16,000
FEET 130 DEG 11 KT, 18000 FEET 140 DEG 14 KT, NO READINGS AT HIGHER
ALT

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7C 25,000 FEET

7 D 15 MILES

7E 6 PER CENT

7F NONE

8 NONE

9 NONE

10 NONE

11 NONE

12 OPERATIONS OFFICER, LT COLONEL SAMUEL S. WILLIAMSON, JR. COMMENTS:
DUE TO LACK OF SUBSTANTIATION IN AS MUCH AS ONLY ONE PERSON OBSERVED
THE OBJECT, NO ANALYSIS IS POSSIBLE. RADAR FACILITIES, WEATHER BUREAUS
AND UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON OFFICIALS WERE CONTACTED WITH REGARD TO
AIRPLANES, WEATHER BALLOONS, COMETS, METEORS OR PLANETS WITH NEGATIVE
RESULTS.

36/2114Z OCT JWFLN

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 5 October 1954 05/0645Z (Night)	2. LOCATION Houston, Texas
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION VISUAL: Refraction from Ground Lights RADAR: Ground Return
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Groups	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Lights - size of pea changed from orange to bluish- green. Disappeared and reappeared each time in different formations. (thunder storms in area). Lightning and no pickup on local radar. Initial observation indicates objects similar to oil flares on ground. Always below a/c and to right.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Air Visual Air Radar	
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

1G NONE

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1H NONE

1I NONE

2AICOT SIGHTED LIGHTS WHILE FLYING ACFT.

2B ANGLE OF ELEVATION, MINUS 10 DEG, AZIMUTH 350 DEG

2C MINUS 10 DEG ELEVATION, 350 DE AZIMUTH.

2D OBJECTS APPARENTLY MAINTAINED NO SET FLIGHT PATTERN. OBJECTS
WOULD DISAPPEAR SUDDENLY AND REAPPEAR IN DIFFERENT NUMBERS AND
DIFFERENT FORMATION. SOMETIMES IN TRAIL FORMATION AND SOMETIMES
WITH ONE OBJECT IN LEAD AND OTHERS TO REAR AND SIDE.

2E OBJECTS WERE LOST WHEN ACFT ENTERED FLIGHT PATTERN TO LANDING,
DISAPPEARING OFF TAIL OF ACFT.

2F FORTY-FIVE MINUTES

3A AIR - VISUAL; AIR - ELECTRONIC - RADAR. RADAR INSTRUCTOR STATES
TWO OBJECTS WERE PICKED UP ON RADAR SET ON ONE INSTANCE.

3B NONE

3C T-29A, NUMBER 49-1912, 16,000 FT, 250 DEG - 260 DEG, 200 KNOTS,
ELLINGTON AFB TEX.

4A 050645Z OCT.

4B NIGHT

5 ACFT FLYING ROUTE FROM LAKE CHARLES, LA TO HOUSTON, TEX (29 DEG

IN

Multi.

05/06452
Houston, Texas

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7 OCT 54 23 06z

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3-164-K. UFOE/REF AFR 200-2, DTD 26 AUG 53

1A UNKNOWN

1B LIGHTS SIZE OF PEA

1C CHANGING ORANGE TO BLuish-GREEN

1D OBSERVERS SAW FOUR AT TIMES, THEN ONE THEN THREE THEN FOUR.

OBJECTS WOULD DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR IN DIFFERENT NUMBERS.

1E CHANGING FORMATION SOMETIMES FOUR IN TRAIL FORMATION THEN

ISSUE WITH ONE OBJECT IN LEAD AND TWO TO REAR AND TO SIDE.

1F NONE

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5 45 MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE, 95 DEG 21 MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE)

ARRIVED AT 050730Z.

6 N/A

8A REPORTING OBSERVERS: [REDACTED], 2D LT., [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], ELLINGTON AFB, CO-PILOT, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN:

ROWE, JOHN J. 1ST LT., AO941021, 3607 SPT SQ (FLY), ELLINGTON

AFB, PILOT, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN; NUNROE, DONALD D. 1ST LT, AO

2227911, 3607 ACFT OBSR TMS SQ, ELLINGTON AFB; SENIOR RADAR

INSTRUCTOR, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN; CROSS, LEO O, 2D LT, AO 3003215,

3609TH STUDENT SQ, ELLINGTON AFB, STUDENT, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN;

SEMINARE, LOUIS E, JR, 2D LT, AO 3007053, 3609TH STUDENT SQ, 3609TH

ELLINGTON AFB, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN; ENGLISH, GEORGE E, 1ST LT,

AO2235139, 3609TH STUDENT SQ, ELLINGTON AFB, STUDENT, RELIABILITY

UNKNOWN.

7A CLEAR, WIND 20 KNOTS, DRY, COLD - ZERO DEG CENTIGRADE.

7B WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY AT SURFACE EST 7 KNOTS; 6,000 FT

140 DEG, 27 KNOTS; 10,000 FT 124 DEG, 31 KNOTS; 15,000 FT 140

DEG, 25 KNOTS. NO READINGS AT HIGHER ALTITUDES.

7C 25,000 FT

7D 15 MILES

7E 20 PER CENT

7F LIGHTNING AND THUNDER STORM DISTANT SO OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

8 NONE

9 NONE

10 NONE

11 NONE

12 OPERATIONS OFFICER, LT COLONEL SAMUEL S. WILLIAMSON, JR. COMMENTS:

AN ANALYSIS AS TO THE IDENTITY OF THE OBJECTS IS NOT POSSIBLE
DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IN THE FORM OF RADAR TRACKING
OR INTERCEPTION. LOCAL RADAR AND CONTROL TOWERS WERE CONTACTED
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. OBSERVERS DID NOT REPORT SIGHTING THESE
OBJECTS UNTIL 2000, 6 OCT 54. A SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT WILL BE
FWD WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER INTERVIEW WITH CO-PILOT AND SENIOR RADAR
INSTRUCTOR.

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G 182 K. SUPPL UFOB REPT REF MSG THIS HQ G164K, 7 OCT 54. ADDL INTERVIEW
W/CO-PILOT AND RADAR OBSR REVEALED THE FOLG: OBJECTS WHEN FIRST SIGHTED
APPEARED SIMILAR TO OIL FLARES ON GROUND AND AROUSED NO CURIOSITY
UNTIL THEY WERE OBSRD TO BE MOVING W/ACFT. CO-PILOT ESTIMATES OBJECTS
500 TO 1,000 FT BELOW FLT ALT OF 16,000 FT. OBJECTS REMAINED THIS
POSITION OR SLIGHTLY HIGHER AND APPROXIMATELY 100 DEG RIGHT OF NOSEE
OF ACFT DURING ENTIRE OBSERVATION. THIN SCATTERED CLOUDS OR HAZE
LAYER BELOW ACFT WITH TOPS 6,000 FT. CO-PILOT CERTAIN OBJECTS NOT
REFLECTIONS FR CLOUDS. CREW UNABLE TO ESTIMATE DISTANCE FROM ACFT.
OBJECTS OBSRD FROM SEVERAL WINDOWS AND ASTRODOME WHICH WOULD DISCOUNT

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REFLECTION FR INSIDE ACFT. RADAR OBSR RECEIVED UNIDENTIFIED RETURN 28
MILES FR ACFT FOR TWO OR THREE MINUTES IN DIRECTION OF OBJECTS.
POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT RADAR OBSERVATION WAS GROUND RETURN. CARSWELL
FLT SVC CEN INDICATES NO MIL ACFT FORMATIONS IN AREA WHERE OBJECTS
WERE OBSRD. THIS HQ UNABLE TO DETERMINE NATURE OF OBJECTS OBSRD BY CREW.
08/1435Z OCT JWFLN