PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
4 May 1955

2. LOCATION
Keflavic Airport, Iceland

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local
GMT 04/1338Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
☒ Ground-Visual
☐ Ground-Radar
☐ Air-Visual
☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☒ No

6. SOURCE
Military

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
5-8 seconds

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
ten

9. COURSE
unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round, oxidized silver in color. All located in one general area, but not in formation. Flew in arc across sky, half way across, one object left small smoke trail, then disappeared. Very erratic motions. Great speed. Did not compare with jet aircraft.

11. COMMENTS

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12. CONCLUSIONS
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☐ , Other UNIDENTIFIED
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☒ Unknown

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KEFLAVIK AIRPORT, ICELAND	COMDR, 57TH FTR INTCP SQ APO 81 N.Y. N.Y.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
9 May 1955	4 May 1955	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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)

The afternoon of Wednesday, 4 May 1955 1st Lt Joseph W. Burt AO2266364 and I were on the ramp at the terminal, Keflavik Airport, Iceland viewing and taking pictures of a C-99. On returning, we walked toward the new SAC hangar. While still some hundreds of feet from the hangar I spotted some objects at approximately 80 degrees up. I called Lt Burts' attention to them and we tried to identify them as they passed across the sky and disappeared from view at about 30 degrees from the horizon behind cloud cover that extended over the top of the hangar.

I didn't have the presence of mind to count them but estimated approximately 10. No particular rhyme or reason to the formation. Two were out to the right the others were in one general area. A few moved rapidly around in position while others held steady. In position they did not move back and forth or in and out slowly as jet aircraft but very rapid and jerky. Half way through this arc, one in the center of the large group started to leave one trail of what seemed like smoke. This trail disappeared almost immediately. These objects were not clear cut or distinct in shape but there was no definate wing or tail protruding and all were of the same size and round. They gave the appearance of being transparent but were not. Instead I would say they looked like a glob of milk of magnesia that had been heavily cut with water.

I would estimate they were at considerable altitude and travelling at great speed. I did check the time on my watch which was accurate and read 1338.Z.

EDWARD J. STEALY
Lt Colonel, USAF
Commander

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At approximately 1338Z, I was walking across the ramp above the terminal with Lt Colonel Edward J Stealy when he spotted approximately 10 unidentified flying objects flying east at approximately 25 to 30,000 feet. I also saw the objects. They were in a loose formation. They were not drawing contrails, however, one made a smoke trail for about 2 seconds which engulfed the object and stopped before the object disappeared behind clouds. The objects were in view to me about 4 or 5 seconds. They were traveling at a tremendous rate of speed, well over 1,000 knots. These objects were not jet type aircraft, having neither the shape nor speed. They were oval in shape. The size is undeterminable due to its uncertain altitude, however, would make a very rough estimate of 60 to 70 feet. The objects were traveling at a tremendous rate of speed. The time of sighting the objects was 1338Z which was confirmed by Lt Colonel Stealy. I have seen many jet aircraft flying and these objects do not compare to any standard shape or speed. These objects were clearly seen by me. The objects were the color of oxidized silver and did not reflect light.

Joseph W Burt
JOSEPH W. BURT
1st Lt, USAF

The following information is submitted in accordance with AFR 200-2.

1. Description of the objects
   - a. Round in shape
   - b. About the size of a penny
   - c. Appeared almost translucent with a white cast
   - d. Approximately 10
   - e. All in one general area but no apparent rhyme or reason to the formation
   - f. None
   - g. Half way across the arc one started leaving a smoke trail. In comparison to the penny it would be about the size of a piece of string.
   - h. No sound
   - i. None

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2. Description of Course of Objects
   - a. Noticed them while just normally scanning the sky
   - b. 80 degrees up

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c. Approximately 30 degrees from horizon

d. Group moved in straight line out of sight. A few of the objects were jerky in formation others held steady. However, the speed at which they moved within the formation was considerably more rapid than normal jet fighters.

e. Disappeared behind cloud cover

f. I would estimate approximately 5 to 8 seconds.

3. Manner of Observation

a. Ground visual

b. None

c. Not applicable

4. Time and Date of Sighting

a. 1338Z

b. Day

5. Location of Observers

a. 22°35'30"W 63°58'45"N

6. Edward J Stealy, Lt Colonel, Comdr, 57th Ftr Intcp Sqdn
Joseph W. Burt, 1st Lt, Adjutant, 57th Ftr Intcp Sqdn

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Temperature	Dew Point	Relative Humidity
47	32	52%

Winds Aloft - 6000/060-07, 10000/340-05, 16000/230-04, 20000/220-10
30000/200-20

No further sightings or observations have been reported.

Edward J. Marlow
EDWARD J. MARLOW
2nd Lt, USAF
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