UFOB INDEX CARD

AISS-UFOB-708-57

1. DATE 10 Nov 57 ~~8 Jan 58~~	2. LOCATION Amarillo, Texas	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP 10/0147Z Nov 57	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Two to three minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Two or three	9. COURSE /E/

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Two or three red lights seen moving east for 2 or 3 minutes.

11. COMMENTS

Description, duration, flight path indicate probability of aircraft.

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688TH AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON (ADC)
United States Air Force
Amarillo Air Force Base, Texas

OPS 26 NOV 1957

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Report

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. In accordance with paragraphs 905 and 906, chapter IX, of CONAD Manual 55-1, the following report of sighting of an unidentified flying object is hereby submitted:

a. Description of object:

(1) Could not see the object because of darkness. NOTE

(2) Unable to determine.

(3) Red lights.

(4) Two or three.

(5) None

(6) None

(7) None

(8) No

(9) Bright light on bottom looked like a searchlight or possibly a flood light.

b. Description of course of object:

(1) Saw two or three red lights.

(2) One-half mile to west, 50 feet off ground.

(3) Over car then started upward and toward west.

(4) None

(5) Same as three.

(6) Two or three minutes.

If the object was west of observer when first seen, how could it go over his car and still go west
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c. Manner of observation:

(1) Ground visual.

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

d. Time and date of sighting?

(1) 0147Z 10 Nov. 57 0147 – 6 = 1947

(2) Night.

e. Location of observer(s). Exact latitude and longitude of observer(s).

(1) 102° W, 35° N.

f. Identifying information of observer(s):

(1) N/A.

(2) Whitman, Phillip M. S/Sgt, AF 38067343 3320th APRON Chief Investigator. ← what does he investigate?

g. Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sightings.

(1) Overcast.

(2) Surface - 180 DEGREES 14 KNOTS S
6,000 FEET 190 DEGREES 10 KNOTS S
10,000 FEET 250 DEGREES 15 KNOTS WSW
16,000 FEET 260 DEGREES 05 KNOTS WSW
20,000 FEET 270 DEGREES 15 KNOTS W
30,000 FEET 260 DEGREES 45 KNOTS WSW
50,000 FEET 270 DEGREES 70 KNOTS W
80,000 FEET NOT AVAILABLE

(3) 1,200 FT BROKEN 3,500 FT OVERCAST

(4) 15 f

(5) Overcast.

(6) No thunderstorms.

It is difficult to imagine what would make this apparently experienced AF man to report red and white lights. He has probably been reading too much about flying saucers.

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h. Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(1) None.

i. Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives).

(1) Checked weather for balloon launching. WX balloon was launched at 2300Z 9 Nov 57 but should have been around 60 miles east of Amarillo at about 55 to 60 thousand ft.

j. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting.

(1) Normal IFR traffic - exact location not known.

k. The following comment is submitted by the Operations Officer 688th AC&W Squadron, Edmund E. Kelley, Captain, USAF.

There has been a rash of such sightings in this area in the past month and a lot of publicity about the so-called unidentified flying objects. This publicity has made many people conscious of such things and we are doubtful as to the truth of some of these sightings.

PAUL J. QUINLAN
Major, USAF
Commander

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Hq Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

TO: Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: AFCIN-4E4, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio