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# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

**1. DATE**
29 May 60

**2. LOCATION**
Charleston, Maine

**3. DATE-TIME GROUP**
Local 0220
GMT 29/0720Z

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

**5. PHOTOS**
☐ Yes
☒ No

**6. SOURCE**
Military

**7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**
1 sec each appearance

**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**
three

**9. COURSE**
none

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

Three round orange objects, size of basketball, appeared at one min intervals, one seemed to come from ground, appeared as bright flashes.

**11. COMMENTS**

It is concluded that the object of this sighting was probably the planet Mars. The planet being just below the horizon was probably brought into view by refraction.

**12. CONCLUSIONS**

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☒ Probably Astronomical Mars
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

Pick up in Air

1960 MAY 29 10 04

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TO DO
NO. 71222
TIME 5:06 Am
Date 29 MAY
By: O.

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/UNCLASS/REF AFR 200-2, THE FOL REPORT IS

SUBMITTED (UFO).

A. DISCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

(1) ROUND

(2) BASKETBALL

(3) ORANGE

(4) THREE

(5) NONE-APPEARED AT ONE MINUTE INTERVALS

(6) ONE SEEMED TO COME FROM GROUND

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS

(1) BRIGHT FLASH

(2) ELEVATION 0 DEGREES, AZIMUTH 045 DEGREES

(3) SAME AS NUMBER 2

(4) NONE

(5) INSTANTANEOUSELY-NON DIRECTIONAL

(6) ONE SECOND EACH APPEARANCE

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) 0220-0223 29 MAY 1960

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

(1) P-65, CHARLESTON, MAINE

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

(1) N/A



(2) RICHARD HAWKINS A/3C, AIR POLICE, 765 RADON, RELIABLE

G. WEATHER AND WINDS-ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS

(1) CLEAR WITY GOOD VISIBILITY

(2) A. 6,000 FT. 210 DEG. 10 KTS.

B. 10,000 FT. 120 DEG. 10 KTS.

C. 16,000 FT. 130 DEG. 15 KTS.

D. 20,000 FT 120 DEG. 10 KTS

E. 30,000 FT. 200 DEG. 5 KTS.

F. 50,000 FT. 270 DEG. 10 KTS.

G. 80,000 FT. 300 DEG. 10 KTS.

(3) CLEAR

(4) 15 MILES

(5) NONE

(6) LIZ AREA, MILLINOCKET (POSSIBLE)

(7) 58-62

(H) LIGHTENING

(I) NONE

(J) NONE

(K) SENIOR DIRECTOR BRAVO CREW BAADS; WX PHENOMENA ASSOCIATED WITH THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY.



(L) NONE

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location CHARLESTON, MAINE

Date 29 MAY 1960 Hour (Z) 0220

WX

Description ROUND, BASKETBALL, ORANGE — APPEARED AS A BRIGHT FLASH — THREE OBJECTS — DURATION ONE SECOND EACH.

Direction of Motion NON-DIRECTIONAL.

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) NO MOTION.

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) POSSIBLY MARS WHICH WAS IN A POSITION CORRESPONDING TO THE OBJECT.

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A

Natural Phemomena (Ball Lightning, etc) EXTREMELY SHORT TIME PERIOD - DESCRIPTION DOESN'T FIT AURORA.

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. SHORT DURATION AND NO MOTION.

Other

Evaluation of Source Reliability PROBABLY GOOD.

Analysis and Conclusions: THE PLANET MARS AT THE DATE AND TIME OF THE REPORT WAS IN A POSITION CORRESPONDING TO THAT OF THE UFO. MARS AT THIS TIME WAS OF A STELLAR MAGNITUDE OF -1.0. THE PLANET BEING JUST BELOW THE HORIZON AND REFRACTION PROBABLY BROUGHT IT INTO VIEW AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR

THE FLASHES —

IT IS CONCLUDED THAT THE OBJECT OF THIS SIGHTING WAS PROBABLY THE PLANET MARS [redacted]