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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Dec 60	2. LOCATION Keesler AFB, Mississippi	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other Poss satellite ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 03/2325Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar Clinometer ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE NE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round white object size of average star, no tail, no sound, moving W-E from elevation of 24° at 300° azimuth disappearing at 3° elevation azimuth 060; straight flight path.

11. COMMENTS

Request for satellite information not answered, however since this sighting has all the characteristics of a satellite in orbit, case will be carried as a possible satellite.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
INCOMING MESSAGE

My Friend

AF IN : 9995 (4 Dec 60) N/gf

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : OOP-3, SAFS-3, OOP-CP-1 (22)

RC 07/04 DEC 60
WM/HG/WM
OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE
040025Z
FM DET 68 WEAGP KEESLER AFB MISS
TO CSAF FOR AFCIN-1B1
ATIC WPAFB OHIO FOR AFCIN-4A
PROJECT SPACE TRACK L G HANSCOM FLD MASS
BT
/[redacted]/DET SIX DASH XERO THREE DASH MIKE DASH ONE PD
GLOWING OBYECT SIGHTED OVER KEELLER AFB MISSISSIPPI AT TWO THREE
TWO FIVE XULU THREE DEC ONE NINE SIX XERO PD SIZE OF AVERAGE
STAR PD WHITE COLOR WITH STEADY LIGHT NO TWINKLE PD FIRST SIGHTED
WEST NORTHWEST TO WEST OF STATION MOVING EAST ACROSS THE SKY
PD WHEN FIRST CLINOMETER READING WAS TAKEN CMM IT WAS AT APPROXIMATE
AXXIMUTH OF XERO AND ELEVATION ANGLE OF TWO FOUR DEGREES PD FOLLOWED
UNTIL AT XERO SIX XERO AXIMUTH AND THREE DEGREES ABOVE HORIXON
PD TIME BETWEEN THESE REARINGS APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES
BT

Classification Cancelled
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Auth DRaap 10 Oct 69
By Quintanilla
Date 12 MAY 1970
AFR 205-1, Par 9-12a
3 Jan 68

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1960 DEC 19 21 36

PRECEDENCE	TYPE MSG (Check)			ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO	CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE
ACTION: ROUTINE	BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	AF	DET 6-03-M-1	CONF
INFO						

FROM: ATIC WPAFB

TO: KEESLER AFB MISS RJWFKS

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

UNCLAS/AFCIN-4E2x 12-3578-E

DET 6, 8TH WEA GP/YOUR CONF MSG DET 6-03-M-1 DTD 7 DEC 60, WHAT WAS THE SHAPE OF THE OBJECT? WHAT WAS THE COLOR OF THE LIGHT? WHAT WAS THE ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT WHEN FIRST AND LAST SEEN? DID THE OBJECT DISAPPEAR WHILE BEING OBSERVED? WHAT WAS THE FLIGHT PATH OF THE OBJECT? REQUEST ALL WEATHER DATA TO INCLUDE THE LAPSE RATE. REQUEST AN ATTEMPT BE MADE TO CONTACT ANY OTHER WITNESSES AND FORWARD ALL INFO IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 60, TO ATIC, ATTN: AFCIN-4E2x.

DATE	TIME
16	1450
MONTH	YEAR
DEC	1960

WRITER

SYMBOL: AFCIN-4E2x

TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if required): ROBERT J. FRIEND, Major, USAF

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FOR:
PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

DD FORM 1 MAY 55 173 REPLACES DD FORM 173, 1 OCT 49, WHICH WILL BE USED UNTIL EXHAUSTED

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21 DEC 63 14 19
ATIC

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FM DET 6 SWEA GP KEESLER AFB MISS

TO WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

BT

1742 (UFO)

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after

UNCLAS DET 6 21-M-1 ATIC ATTN AFCIN-4E REF AFCIN-4E2Y 12-35782 AMN THAT SIGHTED OBJECT ON LEAVE REQUESTED INFO WILL BE FORWARDED AFTER 28 DEC 63

BT

21/1645Z DEC RJWFKS

Detachment 6
8th Weather Group (MATS)
United States Air Force
Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

30 Dec 1960

REPLY TO
ATTN OF : Det 6

SUBJECT : Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
ATTN: AFCIN-4Z2X

1. In reference to your message AFCIN-4E2X 12-3578-E, the following is submitted:

a. Description of the "UFO":

(1) The shape of the object was round.

(2) The size of the object was the size of an average star.

(3) The color was white color with steady light, no twinkle.

(4) There was only one object.

b. Description of Course of the "UFO":

(1) The elevation was 24 degrees and the azimuth was 300 degrees when first observed.

(2) The elevation was 3 degrees and the azimuth was 060 degrees upon disappearance.

(3) The flight path was a straight flight path from west to east.

(4) The object did not disappear and reappear while being observed.

(5) The object disappeared just above the horizon to the east-northeast.

(6) The object was visible for 5 minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

(1) The observation of the sighting was with the naked eye with no optical aids.

(2) A clinometer ML-119 was used to obtain angle readings only.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) The time and date of the first sighting was 2325Z, 3 December 1960.

(2) The time and date of the disappearance was 2330Z, 3 December 1960.

(3) The light condition was dusk. Sunset was at 2256Z.

e. Location of observer:

(1) The location of the observer was 70 feet above the ground in a Weather Observation Tower at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi. The latitude is 30° 24' north and the longitude is 88° 55' west.

f. Identifying Information on Observer.

(1) Richard M. Rominiecki, A3C
Detachment 6, 8th Weather Group
Keesler AFB, Mississippi
Weather Observer
Very good reliability

g. Weather and Winds-Aloft Conditions at time and place of sighting:

(1) The observer's account of weather conditions is as follows: Only scattered high clouds was present, no precipitation was occurring, the temperature was in the high fifties, and the wind was from the east at 5 knots.

(2) Winds aloft extracted from winds chart for 0000Z 4 December 1960.

Surface:	080/5 kts
6,000'	170/20 Kts
10,000'	160/15 kts
16,000'	Light and variable
20,000'	300/15 Kts
30,000'	300/40 Kts
50,000'	290/45 Kts

Winds not available above 50,000'.

(3) The ceiling was unlimited.

(4) The visibility was 10 statute miles.

(5) The amount of cloud cover was 3/10 of high cirrus clouds with 1/10 of it opaque.

(6) There was no thunderstorms in the area.

(7) The temperature lapse rate was almost parallel to dry adiabatic to 865 milibars, where a very strong subsidence inversion was observed.

h. This report is written in a letter form due to the fact that there are no AF Forms 112 at this base.

William R. White
WILLIAM R. WHITE
Major, USAF
Commander