

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP Throughout 1965	2. LOCATION Lindsey, N. Y.
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION 1. SATELLITES 2. STARS/PLANETS
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Two	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS See Case File
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Several minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Not reported	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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UFO Sightings

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)

1. We have received a letter from Mrs [REDACTED]. Mrs [REDACTED] has observed many objects in the sky during the past year. Some of these objects are characteristic of satellites. The luminosity of a satellite is very similar in appearance to a star. The motion of these objects over the state of New York will be to the Northeast or Southeast. The duration of the observation should not exceed ten minutes and may be as little as two or three. As the satellite approaches astronomical objects such as stars, planets, or the moon, it may appear to speed up, slow down, or even stop. The appearance of an erratic flight path can be caused by atmospheric conditions such as haze or inversions.
2. During the month of October, the planet VENUS was very bright, low in the Southwest and set about 7:30 P. M. local time. Many reports during this time period were attributed to the planet VENUS and the motion of this object would always appear to be toward or away from the observer. No lateral motion of a marked degree should be observed. As the planet sets, refraction of the light occurs and Venus may appear to rise and zoom off into space. This refraction will last only a few seconds. After Venus has set, the planet JUPITER will rise in the East. In addition to these two planets, the star CAPELLA is in the Northeast and has been reported on numerous occasions from August through October as an unidentified object. Capella will have the same visual characteristics as the planet VENUS with the exception that it rises in the Northeast, is not quite as bright, and will not disappear.
3. All physical evidence, submitted to the Air Force, has been explained in terms of man-made objects or of objects attributed to natural phenomenon. It is possible that the trees which were damaged could have been damaged by lightning or some other natural explanation. Without an investigation into this matter, no statement can be made

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as to the exact cause. In over 10,000 reports of unidentified objects no one has been harmed by the object itself. We assure you that these phenomenon have logical explanations and present themselves as conventional objects or natural phenomenon viewed under unusual conditions or circumstances.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

ORIGINATOR *M. Quintanilla, Jr.* DATED *27 Dec 65*
TDEW/UFO Maj H Quintanilla, Jr

TDEW *N.R. Perkins* DATED *28 Dec 65*

Dear Sir,

I hesitate to report what I've seen out here but in view of the latest developments I feel it my duty to help your department. However, I insist on no publicity.

I live in Lotus Bay Colony, Irving, N. Y. - it is a lake area - private. For over a year now I have been noticing very strange things happening in the sky. I have seen up to 4 objects at one time. The first time I noticed anything was one night about 3 A.M. when I was unable to sleep, I noticed the dipper had 8 stars in it. As I watched, one of the "stars" started moving around, up & down  sideways  & kept it up for about 15 minutes & then stayed at the tip of the dipper. Another time, about 7:00 p.m., I came home from the store & as I closed the car door, I looked out over the lake & watched the stars. Suddenly, one star started moving & traveled quite a distance & stopped when a plane went by. It was the only star that moved. Oh yes, it was completely soundless. The plane made lots of noise but this object made none. It is very quiet & deserted out here in the fall & winter time. In the first part of October, I noticed one star following - yes - actually following my car - and my own Teen-ager was with me & saw this too - One time I followed it (with my 12 yr old) but

turned around when it stopped ^{over} a deserted field. In the middle of October, I went to the local store & noticed a very low large yellowish blob hovering in the sky. This object followed me home & was very, very, low - and seemed to hover over the deserted ~~estate~~ Estate. My daughter went over to the woods & noticed damage to some trees but I never bothered to pursue this to see if Mr. ~~the caretaker~~, the caretaker, had any explanation of the tree damage. This object can move or stop suddenly, is noiseless, & resembles a fireball but what fireball can maneuver like this? Also, the "stars" that move, flash faintly red & green at times. It is not a plane - unless we have planes that can stop dead & hover. Every time I had my husband along, I could never find these. He works in N.Y. City and I am out here alone with 5 children, am a coward, so have never pursued these objects very long. I have not even looked at the sky except coming in from Buffalo last week, saw it over Buffalo & it ended up over the Wilhelm estate again.

As I said before, for months I don't see any of these objects and never see them at any specific times. I wrote to you only in view of the article in the Courier-Express, telling of your investigation - I felt you should know of these happenings. Some young boys in Turnham have seen this object also - they mentioned it in a science class & there have been sightings by college kids in Amherst & been seen on Dunkirk

So, if you're really carrying on a full investigation,
I suggest you contact the [redacted] observer +
Carrier - Express for these names - but please do
not mention mine.

Sincerely,

Mrs. [redacted]

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