PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 13 Feb 67 1600-1800Z	2. LOCATION Indiana & Ohio multiple
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Balloon ✓ JRA A 10.6 million ft^3 balloon was launched at 1900 MST 12 Feb 67 from Page, Arizona. The balloon traveled across central Indiana and landed near Zanesville, Ohio at approximately 1327 EST 13 Feb 67.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Varied	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS All observers reported watching a large silver colored object travel toward the eastern horizon. The object was reported as round or oval in shape. The balloon was observed from the air as well on the ground. Tower personnel at both the Indianapolis and Dayton airport verified that the object was a high altitude balloon of some type.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Air Visual Bx	
7. COURSE Toward the east-south	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

13 Feb. 67
Indiana, Ohio

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 434TH TROOP CARRIER WING (M) (RESERVE) (CAC)
BAKALAR AIR FORCE BASE, COLUMBUS, INDIANA 47201

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DO

13FEB 1967

SUBJECT: Report of UFO

TO: TDET/UFO
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

The following report is submitted in accordance with the published U.F.O. Check List:

a. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT(S)

(1) Shape
ANSWER - Egg shape, somewhat more round.

(2) Size
ANS - Larger than a basketball. (At arms length)

(3) Color
ANS - Silver

(4) Number of Objects
ANS - One (1)

(5) Type of Formation (If more than one object)
ANS - N/A

(6) Discernible features or detail
ANS - Not Reported

(7) Tail, Trail, or Exhaust (To include length)
ANS - None

(8) Sound (Describe any sounds heard)
ANS - Not Reported

b. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S)

(1) What first attracted observer's attention to object?
ANS - Telephone Calls

(2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first seen.
ANS - NE Slight more than 45°.

(3) Angle or elevation and azimuth when object disappeared.
ANS - NE 45° behind cloud.

(4) Description of flight path or maneuvers of object/objects.
ANS - NE slight movement.

(5) How did the object(s) disappear?
ANS - Behind cloud.

(6) How long were the objects visible?
ANS - Two (2) hours.

c. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) What means of observation was used in sighting?
ANS - Ground-Visual, Air to Air, Naked Eye.

(2) Were Optical aids used, (i.e., Telescope, Binocular, etc.)?
ANS - Yes.

(3) If sighting occurred while airborne, state type of aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, air speed, and home station.
ANS - Mr. Mullendorf, Private, Franklin, Indiana.

d. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) ZULU - Date and time of sighting.
ANS - 1600Z to 1800Z; February 13, 1967.

(2) What were the light conditions?
ANS - Day.

e. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

Location
ANS - 1½ miles north of Franklin, Indiana

f. OBSERVERS IDENTIFICATION

If Civilian, obtain name, age, mailing address, and occupation. NOTE: Record your own estimate of the observers reliability.
ANS - Mr. [redacted], age 48, c/o Daily Journal, Franklin, Ind., Editor; NOTE: Good.

g. WEATHER CONDITIONS

(1) Obtain from UFO Observer, a general report of weather at point of sighting.

ANS - Generally clear with a few clouds at 10 or 12 thousand feet.

(2) Obtain from weather office, the winds at surface, 6000', 10,000', 15,000', 20,000', 30,000', 50,000', and 80,000', if available.

ANS - 300° at 40 Kts Clear.

FOR THE COMMANDER

W.F. NOLAN, Colonel, AFRes
Director of Operations

- Balloon -

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

13 (Day) Feb (Month) 67 (Year)

2. Time of day: 19 (Hour) 10-15 (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): (a. Eastern)
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. ~~Daylight Saving~~
(b. Standard)

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] Blvd (Nearest Postal Address) Oakwood (City or Town) Ohio (State or Country)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ (Hours) 5 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

(a. Certain)
(b. Fairly certain)
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? clock

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ No ____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
(a. Bright)
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): ~~a. In front of you~~
(b. In back of you)
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight -- pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*.

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One)
a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

No

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound No

b. Color Silver

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

Bigger

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? 0

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? 3000-5000 ft

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

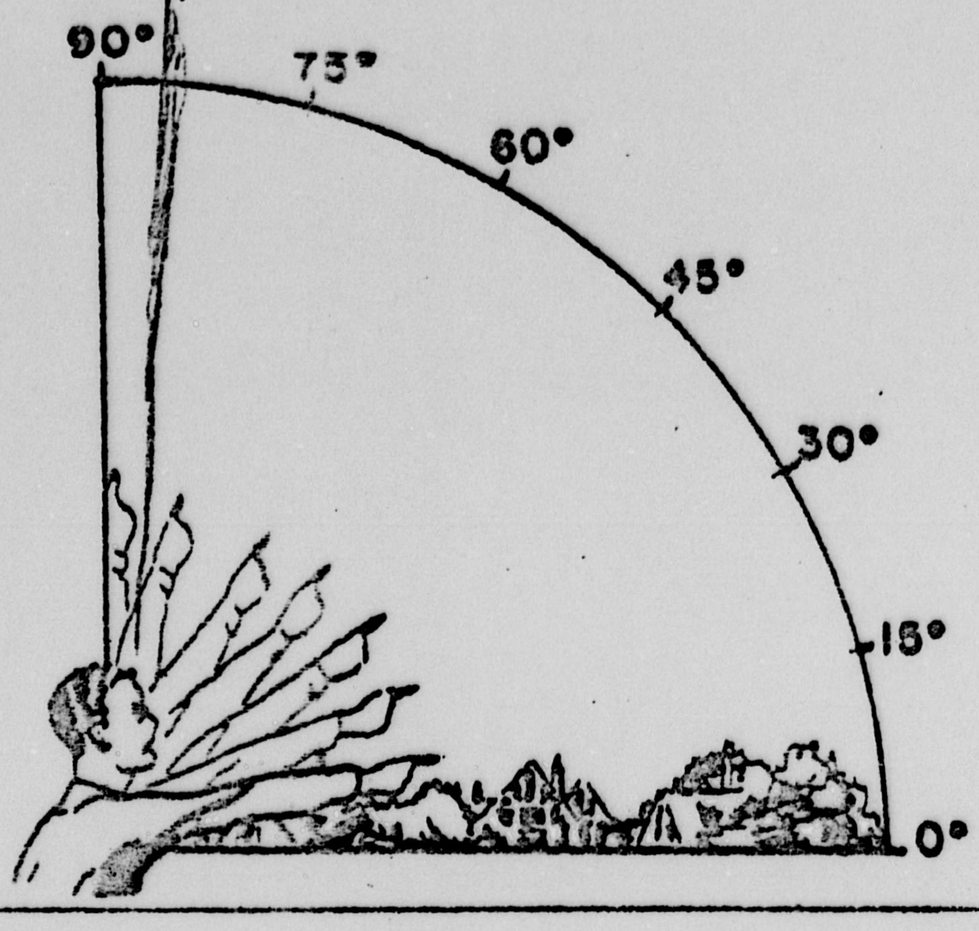
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following? Several people

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

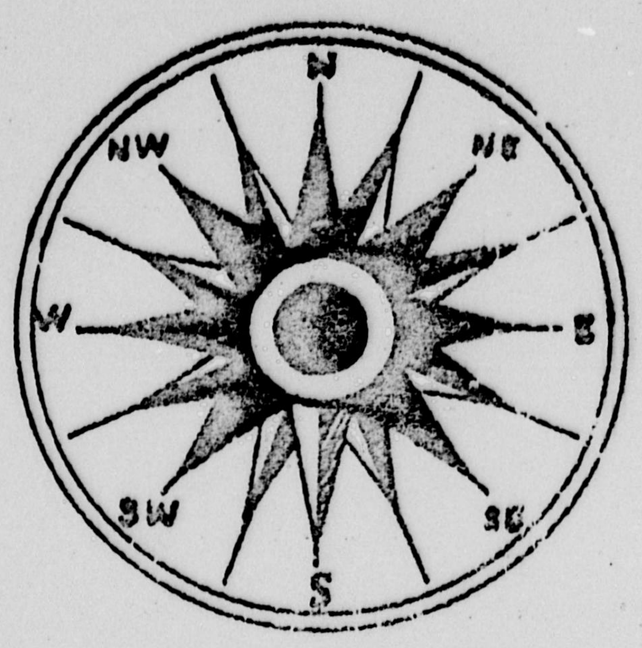
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

round & silver - tin pan

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



dont know



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

NO

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses: Mother, & two men from TV service

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Blvd, Dayton 45419 Ohio (City, Zone, State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 13 SEX F

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

13 (Day) Feb (Month) 67 (Year)

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: _____ Day _____ Month _____ Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

From phone call

[redacted]

500

at 1310, 13 Feb 67

Received a call from SP4 ERICK J SCHROCK, Command & Dayton Defense, 58 artillery SP., Wellington, Ohio.

Stated he received a call from a Mrs [redacted], and said her son and husband and [illegible] a few of the neighbors observed a thing, oval shaped object, moving toward the South. She stated it made a turn slowly, and then at a high rate of speed. She said she observed the object at about 1345(L) 13 Feb 67.

[redacted]
BLANCHESTER O.

Maj Quintanilla, called Sulphur Grove Wilkin Station to find out if they had a balloon launch.

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Contact was made with FAA Rapcon WPAFB, Ohio (ext 70042). Shortly after noon they were informed of a large balloon at approximately 120,000 feet. The balloon was being tracked by a Cessna aircraft. The balloon was suppose to cover a 7 acre area when on the ground. The balloon was visually sighted by the Patterson tower.

Contact was made with Holloman Balloon Control Center, Holloman AFB, New Mexico, ext 4421 with Col Clemenson. Col Clemenson said that there were no balloon launches from Holloman to account for the sighting.

Contact was made with Vandalia Airport control tower. Tower personnel had watch the balloon visually for several minutes. They said they did not know what or who was tracking the balloon with the Cessna aircraft.

Contact was made with Bellefontaine AFS, Ohio in regards to radar paint of of the large balloon over southern Ohio on 13 Feb 67. The station's height finder only goes up to in the neighborhood of 100,000 feet and the balloon was higher then this. They did not track the balloon.

Contact was made with [redacted] Incorp. Minneapolis Minn. Mr. [redacted] said that his company has not been launching balloons for the past couple of months. He had not heard of the balloon but suggested that possibly Goodfellow AFB, Texas might have launched a balloon.

Contact was made with [redacted] at Palestine, Texas Area Code [redacted] Mr [redacted] said that the balloon was launched from Page, Arizona on 12 Feb 67 at approximately 1900 MST. The balloon was to reach an altitude of 130,000 feet. Its capacity was 10.6 million cubic feet being about 400 feet long. The impact was about 37 miles SW of Zanesville, Ohio at approximately 1300 EST.

payload - gamma-ray telescope launched by M.I.T.

Contact was made with Sulphur Grove Balloon Center, Ohio in regards to balloon launches. They released a balloon at 1155 EST which was 20 feet in diameter and white in color. The balloon went toward the east. Winds were 85 knots at 20,000 feet.

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Contact with the Indianapolis Center in regards to observation of an alleged balloon over the Indianapolis area. The balloon came directly over the Air Route Traffic Control Center and was seen by many people. There was a chase plane which was following the balloon all the way from Arizona. One pilot in the areq was stumped by the balloon. He claimed that the object was only about 2000 feet in altitude but after he took off he could see that the balloon was much higher. Another private claimed that he got fairly close to the balloon. The contact at Indianapolis Center said that the balloon did look like a flying shaped object very much. He could see how many people could have mistaken the balloon for the Ufo.

Memo for the Record: 17 Feb 67

Location of observers-

Franklin, Indiana	1100-1300 EST
Tower Personnel Indianapolis Center	
Tower Personnel Vandalia, Ohio	
Dayton, Ohio	1210 EST
Blanchester, Ohio	1245 EST

Both Indianapolis Center and Cox Airport, Dayton, Ohio personnel verified object as high altitude balloon.