PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION		
13 Wovember 67 14/013	Aiken, S. C. (3 Witnesses)		
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION		
Civilian	Probable (AIRCRAFT) There were three jet fighter out of Shaw AFB flying night mission		
	in the vicinity. Direction of the flight path was from N to S. E to W and the return leg.		
	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS		
29 Minutes	Observer sight 3 flashing, red, oval shaped object. The flight path of the objects seemingly moved in no planned direction.		
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION			
Ground-Visual			
7. COURSE			
Varied			
8. PHOTOS			
TO Yes XXNo			
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE			
TXNo			

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TDPT/UFO Maj H Quintanilla, Jr/70916/1sb/21 Dec 67 UFO Report 13 or 14 November 1967

861 Radar Squadron, Aiken AFS, South Carolina 29803

- 1. Reference your message 861 ODC Nov 67/141800Z, subject UFO Sighting. If an evaluation can be made at the local level, there is no need to forward it to the Aerial Phenomena Office since it is now an IFO.
- 2. We feel that you did an excellent job on finding out if aircraft were in the area at the time of the observation.
- 3. Would you please clarify the date of the sighting, time in report was given as "14/0130Z or 14/2030 local."

FOR THE COMMANDER

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office Aerospace Technologies Division Production Directorate

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UNCLAS 861 ODC NOV 67. FOR: TDETR; FOR: AFRDC; FOR: SAF 70 1; FOR: 320DC; FOR: UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, ATTN: DR CONDON. SUBJ: UFO SIGHTING. AT APPROXIMATELY 2030 LOCAL A REPORT WAS MADE TO THE 861 RADAR SQUADRON, AIKEN AFS SC OF A UFO CONSISTING OF THREE OBJECTS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 80-17, CHANGE 80-17A DTD 8 NOV 66, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED: A. DESCRIPTION FO OBJECT. (1) SHAPE-OVAL (2) COLOR TRED (3) SIZET UNKNOWN (4) NUMBER 3

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SMALLER OBJECT (8) SOUND-NONE (TOO FAR AWAY) (9) OTHER PERTINENT OR UNUSUAL FEATURESTNONE, B. COURSE OF OBJECT. (1) WHAT CALLED OBSERVERS ATTENTION TO OBJECTS LEAVING HIS HOUSE ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL, HE NOTICED FLASHING LIGHTS. (2) ANGLE OF ELEVATION FAGE 2 RULLEDKØØØØ8 UNCLAS AND AZIMUTH WHEN FIRST SIGHTED TUNABLE TO MEASURE(3) ANGLE OF HEVATION OF OBJECT UPON DISAPPEARENCE UNABLE TO MEASURE. (4) FLIGHT FATH- SEEMINGLY MOVED IN NO PLANNED DIRECTION. (5) HOW DID THE OBJECTS DISAPPEAR- WENT OUT OF SIGHT BEHIND SOME TREES. (6) HOW LONG WERE THE OBJECTS VISIBLE ABOUT 29 MINUTES. C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) AIDS: USED BINOCULARS AT TIMES. (3) NO REPORT. D TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING, 14/01307 OR 14/2030 LOCAL, (2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT, E. LOCATION FO OBSERVER. AT HOME ABOUT 17 MILES NORTH OF AIKEN AFB, OBSERVER CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN THE OBJECTS ABOUT CNE-HALF MILE FROM HIS HOME. HIS PARENTS ALSO WITNESSED THE SIGHTING WITH HIM. NOAME OF PARENT UNKNOWN. NO HOME PHONE, HE WAS ABOUT TO GET IN HIS CAR WHEN HE NOTICED THE FLASHING LIGHTS. F. INFORMATION ON OBSERVER. CIVE

15) NO FORMATION (6) FEATURES FLASHING LIGHT (7) TRAIL-DROPPED SOME

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AIKEN, SC, HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR, RELIABILITY, FAIR. G. WINDS AND

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WEATHER AT TIME OF SIGHTING: (1) OBSERVERS ACCOUNT OF WEATHER: WEATHER WAS CLEAR, WINDS CALM. (2) REPORT FROM NEAREST AWS WEATHER BUERAU OFFICE OF WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY IN DEGREES AND KNOTS:

ALTITUDE	WIND DIRECTION	VELOCITY IN KNOTS		
67100	260 DEGREES	10 KNOTS		
10,000 FEET	270 DEGREES	20 KNOTS		
PAGE 3 RUCLEDKØØØ8 UNCLAS				
15,000 FEET	260 DEGREES	35 KNOTS		
20,000 FEET	25Ø DEGREES	5 KNOTS		
30,000 FEET	260 GEGREES	35 KNOTS		
50,000 FEET	23Ø DEGREES	55 KNOTS		
80,000 FEET	260 DEGREES	8 KNOTS		

- (3) CEILING-NONE (4) VISIBILITY78 MILES (5) CLOUD COVERTNONE
- (6) THUNDERSTORMSTNONE (7) VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT: UNK.

 9RFACE TEMP745, DEW POINT740. H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY: NONE I. NO INTERGEPT OR ID MADE. J. THERE WERE THREE(3) JET FIGHTERS OUT OF SHAW

 AFB FLYING NIGHT MISSIONS IN THE VICINITY. DIRECTION OF FLIGHT WAS

 FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH, EAST TO WEST AND THE RETURN LEG TO

 SHAW AFB. (K) UFO OFFICER, JAMES V SNOWDEN, MSGT, 861 RADAR

 SOUADRON, AIKEN SC 648-1341 EXT 247, HOME PHONE: 648-1102. COMMENTS:

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THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES WERE CONTACTED TO DETERMINE IF THERE WERE ANY FLYING DONE BY THESE AGENCIES: COLUMBIA AIR PORTTNONE, SAVANAH RIVER RANT-NONE, AIKEN MUNICIPAL AIR PORT- NO FLYING, 2AD SENIOR DIRECTOR NO FLYING, SHAW AFB SC CALLED SHAW AFB AT Ø912 AM LOCAL. OPERATIONS STATED THEY WERE FLYING FROM 1900 LOCAL LAST NIGHT ALL NIGHT, THAT STATE FLIGHTS OVERFLEW THE AIKEN AND COLUMBIA AREA. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS: THAT THE OBSERVER IS NOT A RELIABLE WITNESS, THAT NO FAGE 4 RUCLEDKØØØ8 UNCLAS

TROM OBSERVER, THAT OBSERVER WAS RELUCTANT TO GIVE NEEDED INFO SUCH AS HOME PHONE, PARENTS NAME, DIRECTION OF FLIGHT, AND EXT PERIENCE IN OBDERVING AERIAL PHENOMENON, THAT THE SIGHTED OBJECTS WERE CONVENTIONAL JET AIRCRAFT, THAT THE REASON FOR NO SOUND WAS BECAUSE OF THE HEIGHT OF THE JETS, I CONCLUDE THAT THIS IS NOT A VALID UPO SIGHTING BUT A CONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT AND THAT NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS REQUIRED.

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