

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 10 August 49 11/0000Z	2. LOCATION Hindsville, Arkansas
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Two Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was large like the full moon and was bright and resembled sun shining on aluminum. Its speed was about the speed of an aircraft. A small black aircraft was observed flying over the area about ten minutes after the sighting.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE West to East	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

Incident No. _____

1. Date of observation 10 Aug 49 Date of Interview 23 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 1800 Hrs, Central Standard Time
3. Place of observation: In village of Hindsville, Arkansas
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location or - give details:)
Observer was looking out of window and noticed object
5. What attracted attention to object: Object was bright and fairly large
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): Object was approximate size of full moon
8. Color of object: Bright aluminum
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): _____
Object was flat and round. It resembled a disc.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead):
45 degrees above horizon
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): 160 degrees
12. Distance from observer (distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): Appeared to be flying over ridge 1 mile from observer
13. Direction of flight of object (s): West to East
14. Time in sight: Approximately 2 minutes
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Normal speed of airplane
16. Sound and odor: None
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.) None
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance): Object was bright and resembled sun shining on aluminum
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.): None
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path): None-flight
of object was level and ~~RESTRICTED~~

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21. Manner of disappearance: Observer entered house to call neighbors. When she again attempted to view object, it had disappeared.
22. Effect on clouds: None
23. Additional information concerning object: Observer first noticed object through window of living room. She then moved outdoors to observe it.
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting: Weather was clear and sun was shining.
25. Name and address of observer: [REDACTED], Hindsville, Arkansas

Occupation and hobbies: [REDACTED], Hindsville [REDACTED] exchange

Comments of interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (check neighbors, police dept, FBI records, employer, etc.)
Observer is a woman 73 years of age. Her character and integrity are excellent, according to three neighbors. She is very alert for her age.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

Observer wears bifocal glasses. Lenses are not polaroid.

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Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re Radars now operating on ground
 - a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target:
 - b. Did target execute any turns? If so, what angle (180 degrees), etc., and what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed.
 - c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach.
 - d. Was radar blip on cathode ray tube well defined and consistent with size of object; faint; fading, pulsating at regular rate?
 - e. Did radar echo signal disappear suddenly or gradually?
2. If airborne, when object was sighted:
 - a. Were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits?
 - b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions : Nearest weather station is located at Fayetteville, Arkansas, a distance of 22 miles southwest of Hindsville. All weather data of that office for 10 Aug 49
2. Winds aloft report: has been forwarded to US Weather Bureau, Court House, Fort Worth, Texas.
 - a. Adiabatic chart for period in question:
3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private, and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time:
(Check Canadian activity if close to border.)
No commercial airlines operate in the vicinity of Hindsville and normal air routes do not pass over that area. A small black airplane was observed flying over the area about 10 minutes after the sighting.
4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, (for release and tract of lighted synoptic balloon and other information), Research Organizations or any others.
Nearest release of weather balloons is at Tulsa, Oklahoma, a distance of approximately 125 miles west of Hindsville.

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5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed for purposes of making comparison of soils.
Not applicable
6. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of:
 - a. Object None
 - b. Surrounding terrain where object was observed
Photograph of terrain attached as enclosure no 1
 - c. Place where object contacted earth (if this happened).
Not applicable
 - d. Maneuvers
None
 - e. Formation (if more than two)
Only one object was sighted
7. Secure signed statements.
Signed statement attached as enclosure no 2
8. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.
Not applicable

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I, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, a temporary ~~XXXXXX~~ of the Hindsville, Arkansas
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, do solemnly swear that I am 73 years of age and that
the statement contained herein are true and correct to the best of my
knowledge and belief.

At about 6:00 PM on the 10th of August 1949, I was lying on my couch in the living room of my home looking out of my South living room window watching some birds, when I observed a disk like object in the sky. This object appeared to be the size of the full moon and it was round, bright and shining as if the sun was reflecting off of aluminium. When I first observed this object I was looking through the glass window, then I went outside and continued to observe it. The object was flying over a ridge which is about a mile from my house and it was flying from West to East. The ridge also runs West and East on the South side of my house. After observing the object for about two minutes, I went in the house and called two of my neighbors but they said that they did not see it. When I returned to the yard the object had disappeared. This object did not make any sound; it did not leave any smoke trail; it did not have anything projecting from it and it was sailing in even flight at the normal rate of an airplane. About ten minutes after the object had disappeared I heard an airplane flying overhead and I went outside to see what it looked like and saw that it was a small black airplane and it did not look anything like the object I had seen before. Although there were a few scattered clouds in the sky at the time I observed the object, the sky was clear in the vicinity of the object and the sun was shining.

Hindsville, Arkansas

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, this 17 day of

Notary Public

Madison Co. Ark.

my con. Expires 3-1-53

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY
Office of the AC of S, G-2
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

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29 August 1949

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTENTION: MCI

The following report(a) re unidentified aerial phenomena observed
at Hindsville, Arkansas, on date and time indicated, forwarded for
your information:

OBSERVER

DATE

TIME

10 Aug 49 1800

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As stated

George A. A. Jones
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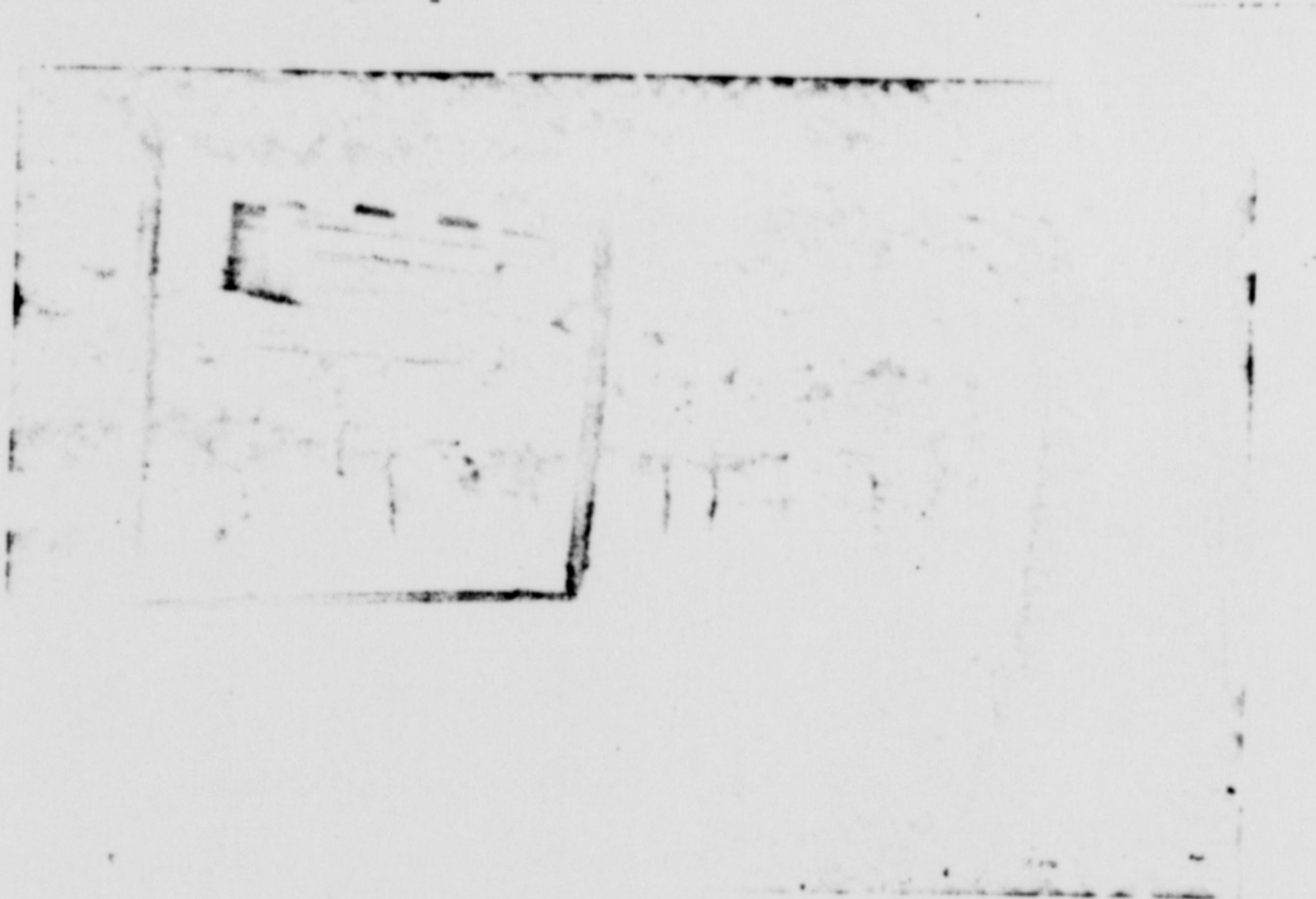
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