

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 7 August 49 03/0340Z	2. LOCATION Tampico, Mexico
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (METEOR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object described as being 120 ft long and quite narrow. Its color was a pale yellow. It had no lights such as an aircraft. It appeared to be flat on the bottom and the nose was rounded. It appeared to be trailing pinpoints of fire. Disappeared behind trees.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Serial 136-40-R

From U.S. [REDACTED] at Mexico City, ex. nte 13 Aug 19

Source Personal observation. Evaluation A-1

Subject: MEXICO - Guided Missiles - Scientific - Miscellaneous.

Observance of mysterious aircraft on night of 7 August 1949 by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] while traveling from Mexico City to Tampico, Tamps., Mexico.

While on a motor trip from Mexico City to Tampico, Tamaulipas, the following event occurred:

After leaving Valles and traveling east toward Tampico at about 9:40 p.m., 7 August 1949, I was driving alone on a straight stretch of highway slightly down hill. Ahead of me, entering from the north and traveling south almost on a ninety degree course from mine was an object about 120 feet long and quite narrow--almost torpedo shaped--with a pale yellow hue, similar to a Fourth of July sparkler. It was judged to be about 5,000 feet altitude about two miles ahead of me, traveling at a speed of about 350 miles per hour. It entered my field of vision just before it crossed the road ahead of me, and I was able to follow it until it passed behind some trees bordering the road. It was viewed for at least five seconds.

Among the things noted were: It had no lights such as aircraft employ at night. It appeared to be flat on the bottom and the nose was rounded. Its nose was the brightest. The brightness dimmed toward the stern part, and it appeared to be trailing pinpoints of fire. Although the night was clear and the moon bright, no outline could be discerned. The writer has observed many shooting stars, but this object resembled none of them. I have never seen jet planes operate at night, and am therefore unable to comment on any similarity.

It is quite possible that the nose of the object was generating its power, but no rotating or swirling motion could be seen. The fact that it seemed to be traveling so slowly might have been due to the fact that it might have been at a greater distance than judged. It appeared to be traveling on a straight course at a constant altitude. I tried especially hard to locate any aircraft flights, but none was visible.

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COMMENT BY REPORTING OFFICER: This report may have some connection with other reports possibly received from C.I. from other sources. The writer states that he imbibed one beer only during this trip and that he had only sketchy information about "flying disc" reports.

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