

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 7 August 50 07/1150Z	2. LOCATION Santa Fe, New Mexico
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION A/C
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Evaluated by observer as an A/C.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was a dark or black color. Straight and level flight. Speed 620 mph. No sound. Disappeared by fading in distance. Heading of 20 degrees.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	
7. COURSE 20 degrees	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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ONE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CIVILIAN AIR FORCE CASE NO. 10

File No: 24-8-C

7 August 1950

STOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHENOMENA

TO: Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

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John H. Henshaw

1. SYNOPSIS: On 7 August 1950, at approximately 0450 hours (MST), 1st Lt. [redacted] 53rd Fighter Squadron, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico, while flying at 30,000 feet observed what appeared to be an aircraft at 20,000 feet. [redacted] descended towards the object which disappeared in the distance even though [redacted] was flying at an indicated speed of 620 miles per hour.

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Object

2. DETAILS: On 7 August 1950, [redacted] advised that while he was over Santa Fe, New Mexico, at a proximately 30,000 feet, he observed what he thought to be a C-47 or a C-54 transport type aircraft flying at approximately 20,000 feet. [redacted] advised that he then started to descend following the object and that although he was indicating over 620 miles per hour he was unable to follow the object which disappeared in the distance.

- a. Date of Sighting: 7 August 1950
- b. Time of Sighting: 0450 MST, for approximately five minutes
- c. Where Sighted: Santa Fe, New Mexico and vicinity
- d. Number of Objects: One (1)
- e. Observable Celestial Phenomena or Planets That May Account for the Sighting: None
- f. Distance of Object from Observer:
 - (1) Laterally or Horizontally: Approximately fifteen (15) miles
 - (2) Altitude: 20,000 feet



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g. Time In Flight: Approximately five (5) minutes.

h. Appearance of Object:

(1) Color: Dark or Black

(2) Shape: Originally appeared to be an aircraft, later not identifiable.

(3) Apparent construction: Not able to verify.

(4) Size: Unknown

i. Direction of flight: Heading of 20 degrees.

j. Tactics or maneuvers: Straight and level flight.

k. Evidence of exhaust: None

l. Effect on Clouds: None

m. Lights: None

n. Supports: None

o. Propulsion: Unknown

p. Control and Stability: No comment

q. Air Ducts: None

r. Speed: Over 620 m.p.h.

s. Sound: None.

t. Manner of disappearance: Lost in distance

u. Notes Relative to Observer:

- (1) Name: [REDACTED]
- (2) Address: [REDACTED] Street, Albuquerque, N.M.
- (3) Occupation: Military Pilot
- (4) Portinent Hobbies: Sports, Model Aircraft Building.
- (5) Ability to Determine: Excellent
- (6) Reliability of Observer: Unknown
- (7) Former Sightings: None

v. Witnesses: None

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3. ACTION: Report furnished Headquarters, Office of
Special Investigations.

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Major, USAF
District Commander

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