

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Nov 51		LOCATION Mojave, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>PSYCHOLOGICAL</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2300PST</u> GMT <u>03/0700Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilians (Two)			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE Varied	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Circular object, 30 ft in diameter, 8 ft thick, appeared in SE. Vivid blue green color, outline clear. Aura or glow surrounded object. Dark green band circled object and band always remained horizontal with the ground. No sound. Speeds from hovering to more than 100MPH. Got out of cheep wave at saucer. Object began series of maneuvers during which time object came within 12 ft of witnesses. Object moved to NE and disappeared behind hills. Got back in cheep went over hill and object was hovering in next valley.				11. COMMENTS Report made in 8 Aug 1952 of sighting in August or Nov 1951. Case attributed too pyschological causes. Report also made of object in August 1949.	

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Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: Director of Intelligence, Headquarters Fifteenth Air Force,
March Air Force Base, Riverside, California

1. On 8 August 1952 [redacted] and [redacted]
Los Angeles, California, (Phone: [redacted]) visited this office
and reported the following:

a. For the past four summers they have been employed
by the U. S. Forestry Service as fire lookouts; all fire lookouts are
part of the Civil Defense aircraft-spotter program, also. They feel they
are well qualified observers.

b. On or about 2 November 1951 at about 2300 hours
they were driving in their jeep along the San Geronimo Canyon road where it
crosses the Garlock Fault, about 38 miles from Mojave, to the north.
From their right rear quarter, the south east, there suddenly appeared
a flying object. It was circular, 30' in diameter and about 8' thick,
their estimates being based on a comparison with their jeep. It was a
vivid blue-green with a clear-cut outline; an aura or glow of roughly the
same color surrounded the object. A darker green band of about 1 1/2"
circled the object and regardless of the attitude of the object, the band
always remained horizontal to the ground. It was soundless and displayed
no visible means of locomotion. In the course of its maneuvers it moved
at speeds from hovering to not more than 100 miles per hour and it did not
attain altitudes much above eyelevel, the observers being at about 2300'.

c. The [redacted] upon seeing the object, stopped their
jeep beside the road, turned out the lights and got out of the car. They
said they were so excited they waved their hands, yelled and jumped up and
down trying to attract the attention of the object. Apparently they
succeeded. The object began a series of maneuvers; it would approach them
to within a distance of a dozen feet and then back off to less than three
miles. It did this at least three times. Its line of movement was along
a south east-north west line.

d. The object then moved to the north east and disappeared
behind a low ridge. The [redacted] got back into their jeep and followed it.
When they topped the ridge, the object was hovering in the next hollow.
The object then went over the next ridge; the [redacted] followed and again
saw the object. The object went over the third ridge, the [redacted] again

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followed it and re-discovered it in the next hollow. The object this time moved at right angles to them rather than away from them. It moved "sideways" and then disappeared, as though the light had been suddenly extinguished. The object did not disappear in the distance or behind another ridge. The [redacted] emphasized that it just blinked from sight like a magicians trick.

e. It was a dark, moonless night, clear and dry.

f. The [redacted] appear to be steady, dependable people; claim to be almost testifiers; tell their story convincingly and without noticeable signs of hoaxing. It must be mentioned, however, that Mr. [redacted] is a historical novelist, as yet unpublished.

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1. On 8 August 1952 [redacted]
Los Angeles, California (Phone: [redacted]), visited this office and
reported the following:

a. In August, 1949, they were employed by the U. S.
Forestry Service as fire lookouts and were stationed at Delilah Lookout,
east of Fresno. They were qualified observers having been lookouts for
four summers. (They are also aircraft observers and claim complete
familiarity with all aircraft found on their aircraft observer charts.)
Their sighting of the flying object on that day was through a standard
set of Navy binoculars (6x30) and the object was not more than 3 1/2 miles
distant from their lookout tower.

b. The object was approximately 100 feet long and
proportionately wide; "space ship"-like in appearance; dull, silver-white
in color; soundless; moved at about 20 miles per hour; no flame or other
visible means of propulsion although at the rear end there was a hole as
in a jet aircraft; two very small, under-proportioned wings, swept-back
and pointed, about a third of the distance back from the nose; a long,
narrow window on each side of the nose in the upper half; object appeared
from behind a mountain, moved slowly down a valley in front of another
mountain, halted and hovered where valley intersected another valley that
went behind a mountain on their left ([redacted] felt that it
hovered there as though it were observing a dam that was being constructed
down in the hidden valley), hovered there for fully 15 minutes, and then
moved away from them, still at the very slow speed of 20-40 miles an
hour, toward Fresno.

c. Sighting occurred at about 1400 and object was within
their view for thirty minutes while it traversed its 4 mile course at
about 90 degrees to their line of vision. Weather was clear, bright,
cloudless, calm.

d. Delilah Lookout is at approximately 36° 50' N and
119° 10' W at about 5000' altitude (See enclosed map). Sighted object was
at eye level throughout. Course of object was roughly from east to west.

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the north side of the lookout station.

e. Sighting was entered in the Delilah Lookout Log. Information concerning the Log can be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, U. S. Forestry Service, Forterville, California. The observers do not recall the exact date of the sighting, only that it was in August. They did not report it to any authorities as they were convinced it was a new, secret, experimental military craft from either Edwards AFB or the Navy station at Inyokern.

f. Observers seem to be steady, dependable people; claim to be almost testtellers; tell their story most convincingly. It must be mentioned, however, that Mr. [REDACTED] is a historical novelist, as yet unpublished.

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Encl: 1 map
2 sketch of object



