

PROJECT MOON RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	3. COMMENTS
17 Jul 52	BATESVILLE MISS	☐ Very Dark ☐ Probably Badly Observed ☒ Possibly Badly Observed
4. TIME	5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	6. TYPE OF OBJECT
17/0107 CST	☒ Ground Visual	☐ Very Bright ☐ Probably Bright ☐ Possibly Bright
17/0707 Z	☐ Air Visual	☐ Very Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	8. SOURCE	9. COURSE
2	2 Civilian men	☐ Other ☐ Intelligible Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. DURATION OF OBSERVATION	11. COMMENTS	
30 min	2-3	

Two or three round objects sighted by two state troopers in Mississippi. Objects were approx 100' in diameter, looked like blue fluorescent lights. Movement was "back and forth", objects also hovered.

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TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

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JEPRS/CO FLT SVC THREE EIGHT ZERO ZERO NEWARK STREET NW WASH 25 DC

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TWO OR THREE ROUND OBJECTS CMA APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET IN DIAMETER CMA
LOOKING LIKE BLUE FLORESCENT LIGHTS CMA AT FIRST SEEMING TO STAND STILL
AND THEN TO HAVE A GRADUAL BACK AND FORTH MOVEMENT CMA NO SPEED OR NOISE
REPORTED PD SIGHTED 0107 CST CMA 17 JULY 1952 CMA FOR APPROXIMATELY 30
MINUTES PD OBSERVED VISUALLY FROM GROUND AT BATESVILLE CMA MISSISSIPPI PD
OBJECTS SEEMED TO STAND STILL AND THEN HAVE A GRADUAL MOVEMENT NORTH AND
THEN SOUTH CMA ONE AT AN ALTITUDE OF APPROXIMATELY 11,000 FEET CMA AND ONE
FROM 3,000 TO 5,000 FEET ~~REDACTED~~ AND ~~REDACTED~~ OF THE MISS.

STATE HIGHWAY PATROL MADE THE REPORT PD WEATHER 10,000-12,000 FEET BROKEN

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CLOUDS CMA 20,000-25,000 FEET OVERCAST CMA VISIBILITY UNRESTRICTED PD
WINDS ALOFT 3,000-5,000 FEET 160 DEGREES AT 20-25 KNOTS CMA 20,000
-25,000 FEET 160 DEGREES AT 15-20 KNOTSPD MEMPHIS ARTC ADVISED B-29,S
REFUELING IN THE VICINITY. HUNTER AIR FORCE BASE OPERATIONS ADVISED
THEIR B-29 S USE WHITE SPOT LIGHTS IN ADDITION TO REGULAR AIRCRAFT
LIGHTS WHEN REFUELING AT NIGH. THERE WAS NO REPORT FROM THE AIRCRAFT.
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TO: DIRECTOR, AIR FORCE, WASHINGTON, D.C.

FROM: JESYQ 09

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Unidentified Flying Objects Sighted Near Batesville, Mississippi 17 July 1952
State of Mississippi, USA. Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark
Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

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Frank M. Allen, Lt Colonel, USAF

Mississippi State Highway Patrolmen
Teletype FLYOERPT submitted by Maxwell Flight

Service Center (Message MFSC 17-8-17 of 170747Z July)

Two or three round unidentified flying objects were sighted by State Highway patrolmen at Batesville, Mississippi, 010703Z 17 July. Objects were approximately 100 feet in diameter, and looked like blue fluorescent lights. One object was at 11,000, and another at 3,000 to 5,000 feet. Objects were stationary at first, then began a gradual back and forth movement. Observation continued for 30 minutes.

FRANK M. ALLEN
Lt Colonel, USAF
Intelligence Officer

Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

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Flight Service, MATS
3800 Newark Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. Unidentified flying objects were visually observed from the ground at Batesville, Mississippi, 17 July 1952. First sighted 010735T and observed for period of approximately 30 minutes by two State Highway Patrolmen.

2. Reported as two or three round objects, approximately 100 feet in diameter, looking like blue fluorescent lights. Estimated altitude of one object 11,000 feet, estimated altitude of the other from 3,000 to 5,000 feet.

3. Objects at first seemed to stand still, and then had a gradual back and forth (North and then South) movement. No speed or sound reported.

4. Weather in the area at the time of the sighting was:

a. Broken clouds at 10,000 to 12,000 feet with an overcast above at 20,000 to 25,000 feet, visibility unrestricted.

b. Winds aloft reported: 3,000 to 5,000 feet, from 160° at 20 to 25 knots
20,000 to 25,000 feet, from 160° at 15 to 20 knots

5. Witnesses were J. D. Watts and J. L. Coggins of the Mississippi State Highway Patrol.

6. Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center (CAA) reported that B-29 aircraft were refueling in air in the vicinity. Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Georgia, advised that B-29 types from that base use white spot lights, in addition to standard aircraft lights, when refueling in air at night. There was no position report to indicate an aircraft might have been involved.

7. No physical evidence of sighting reported, and no interception or identification action taken.

8. Information was received by Maxwell Flight Service Center from Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center 012005T 17 July. Teletype FLYOBRPT was submitted by Maxwell Flight Service Center 0747Z 17 July.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. The sound of B29 aircraft refueling overhead should have been audible to observers, unless covered by other noises, such as automobile, radio, etc. Stationary appearance at first sighting, and absence of movement other than gradual back and forth shifting for period of 30 minutes, tends to discount refueling aircraft spotlights diffused by clouds.

2. Method of transmission of information from observers to Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center was not reported.

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DATE: 12/12/52 LOCATION: MATANZAS CUBA

1. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

2. OBSERVER'S NAME: [blank] 3. OBSERVER'S RANK: [blank]
4. OBSERVER'S POSITION: [blank] 5. OBSERVER'S ORGANIZATION: [blank]

6. SOURCE

Civilian man

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

6-7 min

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

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10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

"Amateur photographer snapped roll of films on circular object orbiting over Cuba. Object was metallic, accomplished erratic maneuvers."

11. COMMENTS

1. No photos received at ATIC.

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COUNTRY CUBA	REPORT NO. IR-74-52	(LEAVE BLANK)
SUBJECT AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
INFORMATION ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS.		
REPORTED ON CUBA	FROM (Agency) AIRA CUBA	
DATE OF REPORT 18 July 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 17 July 1952	EVALUATION not applicable
PREPARED BY (Officer) Wm. F. Pitts, USAF		SOURCE Press
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Hq. USAF letter AFOIN-C/CC-2 dated 19 December 1951 Subj: "Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects."		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)		
1. Several Havana newspapers featured an article today on a reported sighting of a "flying disk" by one [REDACTED] in Matanzas, Cuba, on Tuesday 17 July 1952, at 1120 hours. 2. Mr. [REDACTED] who is an amateur photographer, noticed the object while standing on the terrace of his home retouching some photographic work he had been working on. He stated that an unusual shadow caused him to look up where at an estimated altitude of approximately 1200 ft, he saw this circular object orbiting over the Southeastern section of the town. It appeared to him that light from the sun was being reflected in a conical shape from a metal surface. He said that the object at first was in a vertical position or plane, when it suddenly shot off a tremendous speed for about 400 meters where it stopped and changed to a horizontal position. Having a loaded camera handy on a nearby table, he proceeded to shoot an entire roll of film of the object. Attached are some reproductions of his photographs appearing in the Havana papers. He said he observed the object for a period of six to seven minutes when it disappeared to the South leaving an exhaust trail behind it. At this point, in order to make sure that he was not seeing things that did not exist, he rushed out into the street and verified from a Jose Guerra, private policeman for the MATANZAS CORDAGE COMPANY, that he had also seen the object. He was very specific about the time, as he made a point of looking at his watch when he first sighted the object. 3. The exact latitude and longitude of Matanzas is 23°04' N, 81°35' W. 4. Camera equipment used was a Kodak Retina I, using a Saturn telescopic lens. According to the newspapers, photographic technicians who have seen the photographs consider them authentic and some of the best that have been taken of these objects to date. COMMENT: Mr. [REDACTED] has reportedly turned over a set of prints to the Colonel in Command of the Rural Guard Regiment in Matanzas with the object of having them delivered to the USAF. The undersigned has requested these photographs from the Cuban Army General Staff and will forward them upon receipt.		
<i>WFO Incl atid-12</i> <i>1 Aug 52</i> 1 Incl. INCL. newspaper photographs to original only. <i>FILED 1-B-3</i> <i>William F. Pitts</i> WILLIAM F. PITTS Lt. Colonel, USAF Acting Air Attache		
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