

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>27 Apr 52</u>		2. LOCATION <u>Yuma</u> <u>Yuma, Airzona</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☒ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2030</u> MST GMT <u>28</u> <u>0330</u> <u>3</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>AF S/Sgt and wife</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>Either one seen 8</u> <u>times or 8 separate</u>		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <u>Bright red or flame color. Discs shaped.</u> <u>One made rapid climb into clouds.</u>				11. COMMENTS <u>Observer in drive in first</u> <u>thought objects to be "falling stars"</u> <u>but noticed that they made abrupt</u> <u>changes in course. Once two objects</u> <u>were seen at same time.</u> <u>6000' cloud deck at time.</u>	

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HEADQUARTERS
4750TH AIR BASE SQUADRON, GUNNERY TRAINING
YUMA COUNTY AIRPORT
Yuma, Arizona

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28 April 1952

SUBJECT: Report of Unconventional Aircraft Sighting

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
ATTN: MCIS

1. The following report is submitted in accordance with ADC Letter 200-1:

a. Objects appeared as bright red or flame colored discs, slightly larger than a fighter aircraft. Eight objects were sighted, but could be same object reappearing more than once. The objects appeared singly except for one appearance of two objects in formation. There was no sound audible and no distinctive aerodynamic features were observed. Most of the objects disappeared out of sight in the distance, but one of the objects in formation pulled up abruptly into the overcast.

b. The objects were sighted between the hours of 2030 and 2230 on 27 April 1952.

c. Observations were visual and below a 6000' cloud deck.

d. The observer was seated in an automobile in an open air theatre at Yuma, Arizona. Location was Lat 32° 43'N - Long 114° 38'W.

e. The observer was S/Sgt [REDACTED], Chief of AACS Operating Location 1903-4 AACS Squadron at Yuma County Airport. He has been in Airport Control work for 2 years prior to which he worked as a mechanic at a civilian airport for a period of 4 years.

f. Weather Sequence - Ceiling 60 @ 110 @ Vis 15 plus
Temp 62/50 Wind SSE 11
Altimeter 29.79 inches

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Subject - Report of Unconventional Aircraft Sighting (Cont'd)

G. Unknown

h. None

i. None

j. None

2. This report is submitted in lieu of AF Form 112 due to lack of subject form at this station. This report is exempt from Reports Control Symbol in accordance with paragraph 9b(1), AFR 174-1.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl:

Statement of S/Sgt [REDACTED]

Stephen R Halpin
STEPHEN R HALPIN
Captain, USAF
Adjutant

cc: CG ADC, ATTN: Dir of Int
CG WADF

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STATEMENT OF OBSERVER

On the 27th of April 1952 between the hours of 2030 and 2230, my wife and I, while sitting in our automobile at the Yuma Drive-In Theatre at Yuma, Arizona noticed what at first seemed to be falling stars but upon following them we observed them to fly horizontal with the ground and then make a very definite abrupt change of attitude disappearing in the clouds. Several minutes later two (2) similiar objects appeared flying parallel with each other, after a few seconds one continued straight ahead the other veered sharply to the North and passed over the town of Yuma disappearing into the clouds. All the objects sighted which numbered approximately 7 or 8 were travelling from NE to SW, were round and emitted a fiery Red glow, on one occasion after watching this one particular object after it which it had made an abrupt change of attitude it seemed as though it were whirling like a disc.

Being a tower operator and being familiar with Jet Aircraft and other types, I am very sure it could not have been an aircraft or any other object that I have had the experience of seeing before. I have read about other reports on flying saucers or such as they are named and can very definately state that their abrupt change of attitude was not normal, nor was their appearance.

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S/Sgt, [REDACTED]

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 6

DATE: 27 Apr 52

TIME (Local): 2030 to 2230

LOCATION: Yuma, Ariz.

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: Periodically for 2 Hrs.

SOUND: None

SPEED: Unknown

ALTITUDE: Below 11,000'

HEADING: Varied

SOURCE: AF Tower Operator

ACTION OR COMMENTS: No conclusions

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Objects appeared as bright red or flame colored discs slightly larger than fighter aircraft. Eight objects were sighted at various times. Once two objects were in formation. Scattered overcast at 6,000', solid at 11,000'. Observed from drive-in movie.