# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>9 May 52 | 2. LOCATION<br>George AFB, California | CONCLUSIONS<br>☒ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 1030 PDST<br>GMT 1730 | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | ☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| 5. PHOTOS<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | 6. SOURCE<br>Ground observers and F-86 pilots | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>1 | 9. COURSE<br>☐ Other<br>☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☐ Unknown |

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Silver color. Round.
Balloon launched fromEdwards AFB at 0935 PDST. Possibly Balloon.

11. COMMENTS

F-86s and ground observers saw object. Object appeared to be north of George at 39 degrees 51' and 117 degrees 18'. Action by a/c broken off due to low fuel supply.

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0930 PST
1030 PDST
1730 Z

FM CO FTR BMR WG ONE THREE ONE GEORGE AFB CALIF

TO JEDEN/CG ADC ENT AFB COLO

1500Z launch
+2:30 min

JEDWP/CHIEF ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

0935 PDST Edwards AFB

INFO JEPHQ/D/I DCS/O HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25 DC

151 FBW DOI 4 PD ON 9 MAY A SIGHTING OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT WAS MADE AT GEORGE AFB PD THE OBJECT WAS ROUND IN SHAPE AND SILVER IN COLOR NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST WAS SEEN PD NO APPARENT SOUND OR PROPULSION SPEED SYSTEM PD TIME WAS APPROX ~~1730Z~~ (0930 PST) (1030 PDST) PD OBSERVATION WAS VISUAL FROM THE GRND AND FROM 2 F-86 PD OBSERVER LOCATION DURING SIGHTING WAS APPROX 34 DEGREES 50 MINUTES NORTH AND 117 DEGREES 18 MINUTES EAST (No!) PD WEATHER WAS CAVU 50 MI VIS PD NO ACTIVITY OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING PD NO EXISTENCE OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF THE SIGHTING PD INTERCEPTION TAKEN BY 2 F-86 ACFT BUT BROKEN OFF DUE TO LOW FUEL SUPPLY PD TWO ACFT UNABLE TO CLOSE WITH OBJECT PD AF FORM 112 BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE COVER PD

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report on Unidentified Flying Object in George AFB, vicinity on 9 May 1952

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
|---|---|
| California [redacted] | Intell. 1st Ftr-Bmr Wing, George AFB |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 12 May 1952 | 9 May 1952 | |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
|---|---|
| Major James P. McDonough | |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
NA

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.)

An unidentified flying object was seen in the George AFB vicinity 9 May 1952.

JAMES P. MC DONOUGH
Major USAF
Intelligence Officer,
131st Ftr-Bmr Wg. George AFB, Calif.

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| 1)1st Ftr Bmr Wing<br>Geor[illegible] AFB, California | | |

1. An unidentified flying object was seen in the George AFB vicinity 9 May 1952. The object was round, with a brilliant silver reflection. There was no exhaust or scum.

2. 1752 to 1754

3. Visual observation by five (5) individuals. (See statements)

4. 34°90'N-11[illegible]°10'W

5. Capt. Stelle 178th Ftr Sqdn. Experienced Fighter Pilot
1st Lt. Rogers 94th Ftr/I Sqdn Experienced Fighter Pilot
A/1C Achee 1907-4 AACS Det Experienced Control Tower Operator
A/2C Schuetz 1907-4 AACS Det Experienced Control Tower Operator
A/3C Zaroski 1907-4 AACS Det Experienced Control Tower Operator

6. Weather on the 9 May 1952 is as follows: weather was clear with visibility to 30,000 feet. Cir. stratus to the south. Winds aloft were;

3,000-220 degrees-5 knots
5,000-310 " -9 knots
8,000-020 " -19 knots
10,000-090 " -17 knots
12,000-330 " -20 knots
14,000-330 " -33 knots
16,000-300 " -44 knots
20,000-300 " -55 knots
25,000-320 " -65 knots
30,000-320 " -65 knots
35,000-320 " -80 knots
40,000-300 " -85 knots

One balloon released at 0700 PST daily.

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7. The following aircraft were in the vicinity of George AFB, California during 1715Z and 1745Z on 9 May 1952.

Base Operations One (1) T-6C landing at 1720Z
One (1) C-47 take off at 1745Z

94th F/I Sq. Two (2) F-86 on Air Defense Mission

4th TT One (1) B-26 towing in the Camp Irwin area

110th Ftr Sq. One (1) F-51 local area flying

170th Ftr Sq. Four (4) F-51 Gunnery in Camp Irwin area

Communication with Edwards AFB-no activity from their A/F during this period.

8. There was no physical fragments nor any photographs taken.

9. Lt. Rogers attempted to intercept but was forced to land because of gas supply.

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The object was round shape, size unknown, color silver, no exhaust, slow speed, no sound or maneuvers apparent. The time was approximately 1 1h~% and the object was sighted for 10-15 minutes. My manner of observation was visual from the ground. My 11/0 was my approximate location durning the sighting. The closest known landmark is the Dunaby range at Camp Irwin. I have over 1,000 hours fighter time of which 191 combat hours. The weather was C.V.U. There was no activity or condition which might account for this sighting. There is no existance of any physical evidence. No interception or identification action taken.

"At the time I saw the above mentioned object it appeared on the surface to be rotating. Ex. Shadow on a spoke wheel that is turning."

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| 191st Fighter Bomber Wing<br>George AFB, California | Incl 2 | |

10:15 10:15 PST not

On 9 May 1952 at 11:15 hours Pacific Daylight (1815 Zulu) I observed the following:

I was leading a flight of two (2) F-86 Aircraft on an Air Defense mission under the control of CONTROL, Radar site. The flight had been released to land at George Air Force Base and my wingman, Lt. Edgar Scorff, was to precede me in landing for local training purposes. I began a rapid descent from an altitude of 40,000 feet over the base. At approximately 25,000 during the descent I sighted this strange object described below.

The object appeared to be round, and brilliant reflection from the sun made it a very bright silver color. I stopped my descent immediately and began a climb, keeping the object in sight all the while. I reached a point about 6 miles north of Lelandale (34°50' N 117°18' E) at 36,000 feet where the object was directly overhead. Since I have no basis for the objects size my estimate of its altitude will be inaccurate however at the time it appeared to me to be at least 70,000. My wingman was at a position to observe this object in relation to my position and altitude and he stated it appeared to be at least twice my height. We both observed the object to hover motionless then accelerate in an Easterly direction. It did not go far, however it would reverse its direction 180 degrees in the short space of 3-4 seconds. During these changes of direction I would turn with the object at the highest possible rate of turn in order to keep it in sight. During the objects acceleration and turns it did not appear to leave an exhaust trail or contrail of any kind. The contrail level began at 34,000 on that day but the top could not be determined for my contrails were still strong at 40,000. We observed this to object execute various port and starboard turns of 180 degrees and hover motionless in the immediate area mentioned previously for a period of 5 minutes when low fuel supply aboard made an immediate landing necessary. Before descending to land I observed the object in one of the turns appear to have a wing, but vertical distance separation made accurate identification of exact shape impossible.

The weather at the time of the incident was clear with visibility of 50 miles.

I have over 1100 hours total flying time of which over 700 have been in fighter type aircraft. I have 320 combat hours with 142 combat missions in the Korean theatre. My wingman has approximately 700 hours total flying time with over 300 hours jet and fighter time.

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The object seen appeared to be round but I cannot give an estimate of the size due to its extreme altitude. It was white in color. Identification or number of the object could not be seen from the ground. No vapor trail or exhaust could be seen from the ground. I would estimate the speed at greater than 1000 mph. The object did not give off any sound or at least no sound could be heard from the ground. It appeared to be doing loops and turns. The object was then temporarily lost and then I picked it up overhead. It was traveling IN GN easterly direction in a straight line at a speed of at least 1000 mph. and descending slightly. I lost sight of the object as it moved behind a smoke layer caused by the cement factory.

The object was sighted about 1735 Z and was observed for about 15 minutes.

I observed the object with a pair of binoculars from the control tower. However, the object was visible with the naked eye since it was observed against a clear sky for the most part.

Location 34°36'N 117°23'E

The object was first seen 5-10 miles NE of the base, and at approximately 70,000 feet. It later began to take up an easterly course.

Observed from the control tower by operators on duty.

No action taken other than observation.

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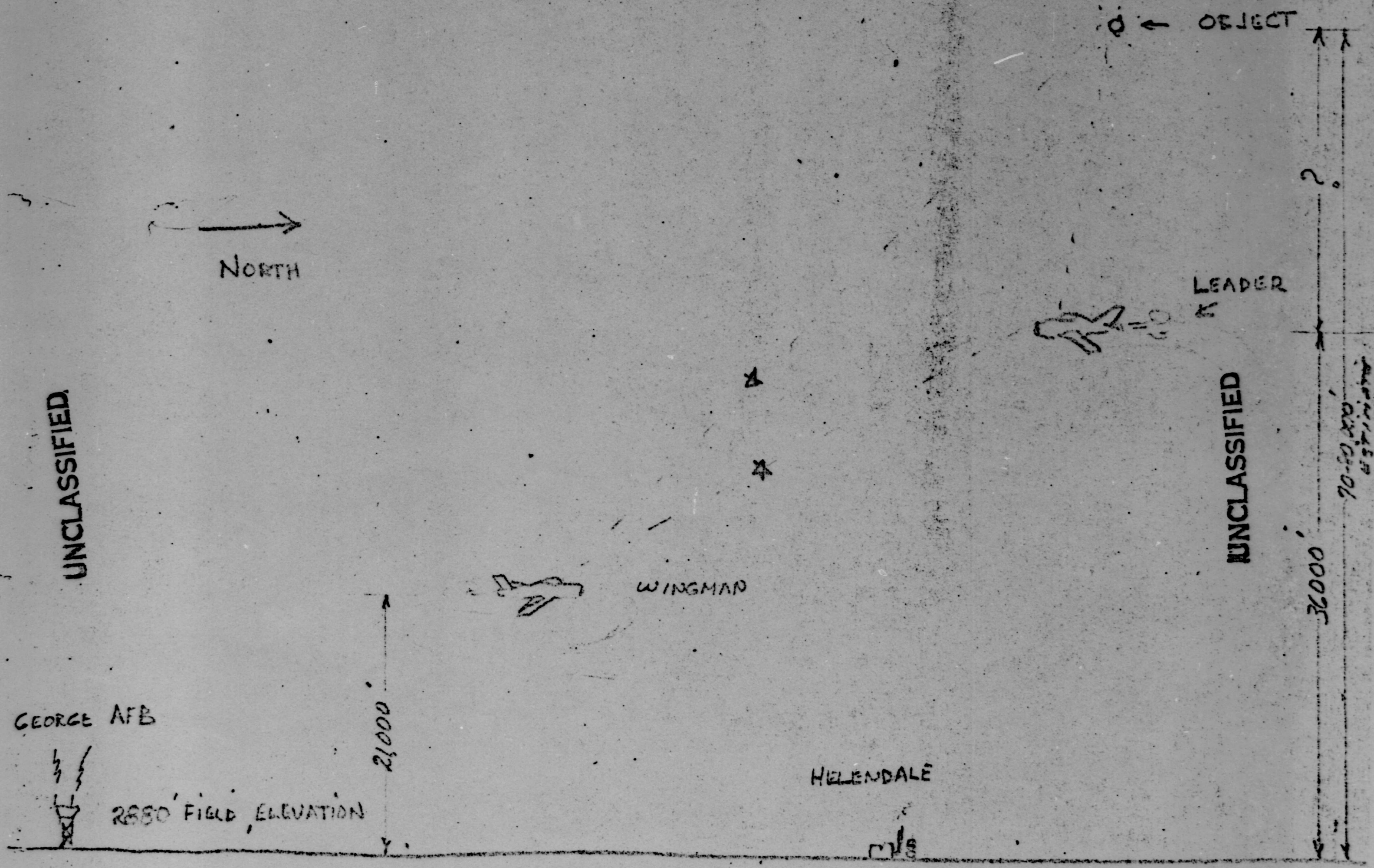
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POSITION OF WINGMAN RELATIVE TO LEADER AND 'OBJECT'




* WINGMAN STATED OBJECT APPEARED TO BE TWICE LEADER'S HEIGHT.

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| [illegible] | [illegible] | |

The object appeared to be elliptical in shape with flat [illegible]. It was not [illegible], white, [illegible]. The object [illegible] emitting any exhaust or condensation trails and showed no [illegible] when it disappeared. There was no sound with the object [illegible].

Approx. 2:45, 1 Dec 52 was observer's last word [illegible].

Jet flight of an F-86 just over the base at 70,000 feet. The object was estimated to be at 70,000 feet. Object was visible [illegible]. The control tower personnel with [illegible] and then observed it with 7X50 binoculars.

Observed from control tower. The object was north east of the tower and appeared to be over the landing area at 70, 00 feet.

Sighted by a pilot in an F-86 just mid of three control tower personnel.

Sky was clear with ground visibility at 30 miles.

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| 1/Lt Ftr Intr Flt, Edwards AFB, California | [redacted] | |

The object appeared to be round. Its size could not be estimated due to its height. Color of the object was white and was only one lon object. The tower failed to see any visible trail or exhaust due to its height. The object appeared to be doing manuvers for a short time with the manner in which the object disappeared was unknown because I lost the object for a few moments and failed to pick it up again.

The object was sighted around 1735 Z and was in sight for at least 15 minutes.

The object was sighted first by the naked eye then with field glasses the speed was unknown. Altitude was at least 70,000 feet and was viewed from the surface.

Location 34°36'N 117°23'E.

The object was picked up 5-10 miles NE and going east and at a height of about 70,000 feet.

Sighted by control tower operators from the control tower.

No interception or identification action taken.

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| 1. DATE | 2. LOCATION | CONCLUSIONS |
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| 9 May 52 | George AFB, California | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| **3. DATE-TIME GROUP**<br>Local 1250 PDST<br>GMT 1950 | **4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | ☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| **5. PHOTOS**<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | **6. SOURCE**<br>Airman first class | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| **7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**<br>20 seconds | **8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**<br>1 | **9. COURSE** ☐ Other<br>☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☐ Unknown |

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

Hovered.

None - first of series of sightings by same source.

**11. COMMENTS**

Evidentally just a pinpoint light source.

Another sighting by a reliable source was made at same time from another location.

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| USA | | 452082 |

# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Object

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
|---|---|
| Southern California | Commanding Officer 14th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 14 May 52 | 9 May 52 | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
|---|---|
| Maj Stephen V. Wajeath, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFOIN-3/CC-2, Subj: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dtd 19 Dec 51, HQ, USAF, Washington, D. C.

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. Reference letter AFOIN-3/CC-2, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Object too high to make any determination of size or shape possible. Color was that of military aircraft (metallic). Object motionless; left no vapor trail or sound. Impression object made on observer resembled that of view of circle star after sunset.

(2) Observation made at 1210 hours on 9 May 1952. Length of observation was given 20 seconds.

(3) Object observed with naked eye from ground.

( ) Observer was on eastern side of George Air Force Base (located miles NW of Victorville, California) at the time. Object vertically above himself at altitude of 30,000 to 40,000 feet. Object was moving in no direction. No aircraft flying in vicinity at time of sighting.

(5) Observer is civilian light aircraft pilot and has high school education.

(6) Sky was clear, visibility 40 miles, temperature 70° F, and wind west southwest at 3 knots per hour.

(7) No special activity or condition which might account for the sighting. No weather balloon runs in the vicinity at the time.

(8) No physical evidence of the sighting was apparent.

(9) No interception or identification action taken.

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HEADQUARTERS
146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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14 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I [redacted], do make the following statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 9 May 1952:

1. The object that I sighted was too high to make any determination of size or shape possible. Its color was that of a military aircraft (metallic). It was motionless and left no vapor trail or sound. As far as appearance is concerned, my impression of the object was as it would be if I were looking at a single star after sunset.

2. The time of observation was 1250 hours on the date given. Length of observation was approximately 20 seconds.

3. I observed the object with the naked eye from the ground.

4. I was located on the eastern side of George Air Force Base at the time that I observed the object. The object was located vertically above me at an altitude of 30,000 to 40,000 feet and was moving in no direction.

5. I am a civilian light aircraft pilot and have a high school education.

6. Visibility was excellent, with clear skies and slight winds prevailing.

7. No activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. No physical evidence, such as fragments or photographs, of the sighting.

9. No interception or identification action taken.

10. One aircraft, a T-6, was flying in the vicinity of the sighting at the time of observation.

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GENE C. GRINDELAND, AF 27776503
A/1C, Hq & Hq Sq, 146th Ftr-Bmr Wg

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| 1. DATE: 9 May 52 | 2. LOCATION: George AFB, California | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br>☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon<br>☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft<br>☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical<br>☐ Other<br>☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☒ Unknown |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 1720 PDST<br>GMT 10/0020Z | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | |
| 5. PHOTOS<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | 6. SOURCE: Airman first class | |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 10 seconds | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: 1 | 9. COURSE |

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Dull-like cumulas cloud. Arrow head shape. Straight and level flight.

No conclusions except that object only seen by one observer and he has made several reports - could be too good an observer.

11. COMMENTS

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| USA | | 94520 81 |

# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Object

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
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| Southern California | Commanding Officer 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
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| 14 May 52 | 9 May 52 | Probably True Report |

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| Maj Stephen T. Mirau, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

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1. Reference letter AFOIN-C/3G-2, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Object appeared to be dull color, like a thundercloud. Shaped like an arrowhead, unable to determine size because of altitude. No aerodynamic features. No sound. If object was size of any known aircraft, object must have been at 30,000 to 40,000 feet. Flew straight and level, disappeared over horizon to the south.

(2) Sighted at 1750 P.S.T. for 10 seconds 9 May 52.

(3) Observation with naked eye from the ground.

(4) Just side of Chorro AFB, object directly overhead, heading south at 30,000 to 40,000 feet. No aircraft in vicinity.

(5) Observer is high school graduate and is taking instructions in civilian flying.

(6) Clear sky, forty (40) miles visibility, temperature 76°F, wind west northwest 8 knots per hour.

(7) None. No balloon runs in area.

(8) None.

(9) None.

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George Air Force Base
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Statement of Observer

[redacted] to make the following statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 9 May 1952:

1. The single object that I observed appeared to be of a dull color, like that of a thunder cloud. It seemed to be shaped like an arrowhead, its size was difficult to determine because of the high altitude. There were no aerodynamic features. If it was the approximate size of any known aircraft, it would have to have been about 30,000 to 40,000 feet high. I heard no sound from the object. The object flew straight and level and disappeared over the horizon to the south.

2. I saw the object at 1750 hours on the date indicated. It was in sight for about 10 seconds.

3. Observation was made by naked eye from the ground.

4. I was on the east side of George Air Force Base when I sighted the object. It was vertically overhead and proceeded south at 30,000 to 40,000 feet altitude.

5. I have a high school education and am taking instruction in civilian flying.

6. Visibility was good, skies were clear and there was little wind in the area.

7. There were no special conditions, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. There was no physical evidence, fragments, photographs, etc., of the sighting.

9. No identification or interception measures were taken.

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General May Sightings

Memorandum for Record

SUBJECT: Trip to George AFB on 20-23 May 1952

On 17 May 1952, Lt E. J. Ruppelt called Major Vincent Wolrath, Wing Intelligence Officer of the 146th Fighter Bomber Wing at George AFB, Calif. Major Wolrath stated that due to the recent flurry of sightings he deemed it very advisable to send someone from ATIC to George AFB. Lt Ruppelt had orders cut and departed by commercial air on 20 May 1952 arriving at George AFB late on the evening of the 20th.

On 21 May 1952, Lt Ruppelt contacted Major Wolrath who reviewed sightings on (1-9-11-13-14) and 20 May. Several of these sightings from a T-6, seemed to be repetative and plans were made to attempt to observe the object on the afternoon of 21 May.

Lt Melzer, who had piloted the T-6, during previous observations was contacted. He offered to fly that P.M. and take Lt Ruppelt along as observer and to assist in setting up an observation team. Both the Ground Control Intercept (Radar) and Fighter Interceptor squadron of ADC were contacted and briefed on the sightings and plans to observe from a T-6. They agreed to stand by all afternoon on "D" channel of VHF in case the object was sighted. If it was, F-86's would be scrambled and radar would attempt a pick-up. A ground station and a ground observer team headed by Major Wolrath was equipped with a ground VHF set and would have a telescope to make ground observations from the George AFB line. Weather was alerted in case a theodolite was needed. All VHF sets were set up for "D" channel on a special frequency to keep the interception of messages to a minimum.

At 1330 PDST, the T-6 was airborne. Lt Ruppelt had a Lieca with a 135 mm telephoto lens in case photos could be taken. At 1430 PDST, the ground observation team called the T-6 and stated they were observing the object through a telescope and it appeared to be a balloon. Also it was identical to several of the previous reports as previous observers were on the ground watching. The aerial search was continued with no success and at 1440 PDST the object disappeared. The aerial search was broken off and the T-6 landed.

Lt Ruppelt contacted Edwards AFB and was informed that at 1438 PDST a Rawinsonde balloon from their station burst at 75,000'-80,000' SSE of their station (approximately over George AFB).

It was concluded that the object was this balloon.

On 22 May 1952, the entire day was spent interviewing sources of other sightings. It will be noted that although some of the reports were attributed to balloons, others could not be and are still being investigated.

Lt Ruppelt returned to W-P AFB on 23 May.

The cooperation received at George AFB was excellent.

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## APPENDIX VI

### George AFB, Calif. - 1, 9, 13, 14, 20 May 1952

### DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

The sighting on 1 May 1952 at George AFB, Calif., was the first of a series of nine sightings there in a three week period. These sightings were all by military personnel.

a. 1 May 1952 - Five round, disc-shaped objects, flat white in color which gave no glare or reflection were sighted. They were in formation with three in front and two in the rear. The latter two darted around in a circular or zig-zag manner.

b. 9 May 1952, 1030 PDST - An unidentified round, silver object was sighted visually from the ground and from two F-86 aircraft.

c. 9 May 1952, 1230 PDST - Two unidentified objects moving with the current or breeze at a slow speed. They appeared to be a silver metal color with a dark spot in the center and at certain angles to the sun gave off a bright flare.

d. 9 May 1952, 1720 PDST - Object was of dull color like a thundercloud. It was shaped like an arrowhead but had no known aerodynamic features.

e. 11 May 1952, 1220 PDST - Object looked like a white paper plate flipping end over end with an initial speed comparable to a jet although later it reduced its pace.

f. 13 May 1952, 1425 PDST - Single object, appeared round, shiny, metallic which glowed or reflected white or silver was observed for thirty minutes.

g. 14 May 1952, 1405 to 1430 PDST - Same description as object sighted on 13 May and by same sources.

h. 20 May 1952, 1425 PDST - A silver colored, bright, round object was observed for five minutes. Initially the object was stationary but eventually moved and faded away.

### STATUS OF INVESTIGATION

Only balloons released from Edwards AFB can be tracked accurately over George AFB, consequently, for the most part they are the only balloons with which we are concerned. These balloons are released irregularly thus accounting for some of the unusual times of sightings reported in cases which are probably balloons.

The project monitor of Blue Book went to George AFB to investigate the various reports.

a. 1 May 1952 - Report well documented. No additional information obtained.

b. 9 May 1952, 1030 PDST - A balloon was released from Edwards AFB, 55 minutes prior to this sighting.

c. 9 May 1952, 1230 PDST - No known activity which could account for sighting.

d. 9 May 1952, 1720 PDST - No known activity which could account for sighting.

e. 11 May 1952 - Third report in three days from same individual. No activity in area.

f. 13 May 1952 - Balloon launched from Edwards AFB at 1340 PDST.

g. 14 May 1952 - No balloon release officially reported.

h. 20 May 1952 - Balloon released from Edwards AFB at 1332 PDST.

III. CONCLUSIONS

a. 1 May 1952 - No Conclusions.

b. 9 May 1952, 1030 PDST - Very probable that the balloon released from Edwards AFB was the object sighted.

c. 9 May 1952, 1230 PDST - Very possible that paper was caught in the thermals and swept along. A similar sighting turned out to be just that.

d. 9 May 1952, 1720 PDST - No conclusions.

e. 11 May 1952 - No conclusions.

f. 13 May 1952 - Probably was balloon released from Edwards AFB, 45 minutes previous.

g. 14 May 1952 - Description fits incident of 13 May so perfectly it is highly probable that the object was a balloon.

h. 20 May 1952 - Balloon released 53 minutes prior to sighting was probably object observed.

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| 1. DATE | 2. LOCATION | CONCLUSIONS |
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| 9 May 52 | George AFB, California | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| **3. DATE-TIME GROUP**<br>Local 1250 PDST<br>GMT 1950 | **4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | ☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| **5. PHOTOS**<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | **6. SOURCE**<br>AF Major - Wing Intell Off<br>(good source) | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| **7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**<br>4 minutes | **8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**<br>2 | **9. COURSE** |
| | | ☐ Other<br>☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☒ Unknown |

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

Silver metal color. Drifted with wind.

**11. COMMENTS**

Source is known to be excellent. He states that object might have been paper or debris however doubts it.

Another source observed object from different location at same time.

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TWO UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS REPORTED BY OBSERVER. OBJECTS WERE MOVING WITH THE CURRENT OR BREEZE AT A SPEED DESCRIBED AS "SLOW" THEY APPEARED TO BE A SILVER METAL COLOR WITH A DARK SPOT IN THE CENTER. AT CERTAIN ANGLES TO THE SUN THEY GAVE OFF A BRIGHT GLARE. THE OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED AT 1250 HRS PDST 9 MAY 1952. LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED WAS FOUR MINUTES. SIGHTING WAS MADE BY NAKED EYE FROM THE SURFACE. OBSERVER WAS STANDING NEXT TO OWN RESIDENCE AT WHERRY HOUSING,WHICH IS LOCATED SOUTH OF GEORGE AFB ,WHEN HE

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FIRST SIGHTED THE OBJECTS. HE CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE OBJECTS AS HE DROVE NORTH IN HIS AUTOMOBILE. THE OBJECTS APPEARED TO BE BETWEEN 4,ØØØ AND 5,ØØØ FEET HIGH AND LOCATED WEST OF THE OB OBSERVER, MOVING IN A NORTH-WESTERLY DIRECTION WHEN THEY DISAPPEARED FROM THE OBSERVERS VIEW. THE OBSERVER, [redacted] IS THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FOR THE 146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING. WEATHER AT THE TIME OF THE OBSERVATION WAS CALM, CLEAR AND HOT WITH GOOD VISIBILITY PREVAILING. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING. NO INTERCEPTION ACTION TAKEN.

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| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
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| Southern California | Commanding Officer 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
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| 13 May 1952 | 9 May 1952 | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
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| Maj Stephen V. Walrath, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable): AFOIN-C/CC-2, Subj: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dtd 19 Dec 51, Hq, USAF, Washington, D.C.

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1. Reference letter AFOIN-C/CC-2, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Two unidentified flying objects were reported by an observer. These flying objects were moving with the air currents or breeze at a speed which was described as "slow". They appeared to be a silver metal color with a dark spot in the center. At certain angles to the sun they gave off a bright glare.

(2) The objects were observed at 1250 hours PDST 9 May 1952. They were observed for a period of four minutes.

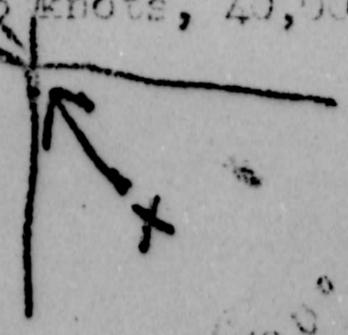
(3) Sighting was made by the naked eye from a standing position.

(4) The observer was standing next to his residence at 302 Nevada Ave., Wherry Housing, which is south of George Air Force Base, Victorville, California. The observation was continued while the observer drove north in his automobile. The objects appeared to be between 4,000 and 5,000 feet high and were west of the observer, moving in a north-westerly direction when they disappeared from the observer's view.

(5) The observer, [redacted] Jr., is the Intelligence Officer of the 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing. He is 40 years old, college graduate, graduate of Air Intelligence School, Harrisburg, Pa., graduate of Air Command and General Staff School, 5 years experience as intelligence officer.

(6) Weather at time of the observation: Clear, visibility 35 miles, temperature 70°, surface wind north-west 7 knots. Winds aloft: 5000 ft 320° 9 knots, 8000 ft 20°, 19 knots; 10000 ft 30° 17 knots; 12000 ft, 330°, 20 knots; 14000 ft 330°, 33 knots; 16,000 ft 310° 39 knots; 18,000 300° 44 knots; 20,000 300° 55 knots, 25,000 320° 65 knots, 30,000 ft 320° 65 knots, 35,000 320° 75 knots, 40,000 300° 80 knots.

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| Commanding Officer<br>146th Fighter-Bomber Wing | | |

(7) There was no activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for this sighting.

(8) No physical evidence, fragments, photographs, etc., of the sighting was possible.

(9) No interception or identification action was possible.

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146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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13 May 1952

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STATEMENT OF OBSERVER

I, [redacted]h, Jr., Major, USAF, [redacted] make the following statement concerning certain unidentified objects observed by me on 9 May 1952:

1. The two (2) objects that I observed were of a silvery, metal color with a dark spot at the center, and, at certain angles to the sun, they gave off a bright glare. They were flat and square and fluttered much as a kite in the air. They were moving with the air current or breeze at a speed described as "slow." The type of movement might be characterized as wavering. No vapor trails or noises were noticed by me.

2. The objects were observed by me at 1250 hours on the date given. I kept them in my sight for 4 minutes.

3. I sighted these objects from the surface with the naked eye.

4. At the time that I first observed these objects I was standing next to my own residence, which is located at Wherry Housing, just south of George Air Force Base. I continued observation of them as I drove north toward the base in my automobile. The objects were from 4,000 to 5,000 feet high. They appeared to be at a distance of about 2½ miles. They were located west of me and appeared to be drifting in a northwesterly direction.

5. I am the Intelligence Officer of the 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing.

6. At the time that I saw the objects, the weather was calm, clear and hot, with good visibility prevailing.

7. There was no activity, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. There was no physical evidence of the sighting.

9. There was no interception or identification action taken.

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Major, USAF
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| 1. DATE | 2. LOCATION | CONCLUSIONS |
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| 11 May 52 | George AFB, California | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| **3. DATE-TIME GROUP** | **4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** | ☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| Local 1220 PDST | ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar | |
| GMT 11 1920Z | ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | |
| **5. PHOTOS** | **6. SOURCE** | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| ☐ Yes<br>☒ No | Airman first class | |

| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS | 9. COURSE | CONCLUSIONS |
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| 3 minutes | 1 | | ☐ Other<br>☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☐ Unknown |

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

White color. Disc shaped.
"Flipping" end over end on lateral axis - made 90 degree turn.

Reported by only one source - possibly paper or other object in a strong thermal.

Other reports from same source indicate he's an "observer".

**11. COMMENTS**

Source stated object looked like a white paper plate traveling at speed of jet a/c. Saw 2 other small objects behind the first one.

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OBJECT WAS SMALL, ALTHOUGH ITS MINUTENESS PREVENTED ANY ACCURATE

IMATE OF SIZE AND SHAPE. THE SECOND OBJECT WAS REPORTED TO BE

VELING AT GREAT SPEED, COVERING HALF THE LENGTH OF THE SKY FROM

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END. ITS SPEED WAS COMPARABLE TO THAT OF A JET PLANE, ALTHOUGH LATER WHEN SIGHED AGAIN IT APPEARED TO HAVE REDUCED ITS PACE. MOVEMENT OF THE OBJECT WAS ACCOMPLISHED WHILE FLIPPING END OVER END. TWO OTHER OBJECTS DESCRIBED AS BEING LIKE THAT ONE MENTIONED IN THE FIRST OBSERVATION APPEARED LATER IN THE PATH OF THE FLIPPING "PAPER PLATE". ONE WAS NOT CONTINUALLY VISIBLE BECAUSE IT WAVERED AND SUN WAS REFLECTED ON IT AS IT TURNED. THE OTHER OBJECT WAS VISIBLE CONSTANTLY. TWO SMALL OBJECTS FLEW IN WING FORMATION "MOTIONLESS". LARGE OBJECTS MADE 9Ø DEGREE TURN OVER BASE. FIRST OBJECT SIGHTED AT 1259 HOURS, 9 MAY 1952, FOR ABOUT 2Ø SECONDS. SECOND OBJECT SIGHTED ON THE SAME DAY AT 172Ø HOURS FOR ABOUT 1Ø SECONDS. THIRD OBJECT SIGHTED AT 122Ø HOURS ON 11 MAY 1952. FIRST TIME OBSERVED FOR APPROX 3 MINUTES. SOME MINUTES LATER SAME OBJECT WAS SIGHTED ALONG WITH THE TWO OTHERS. OBSERVED WITH NAKED EYE FROM THE SURFACE. FIRST OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY THE [redacted]L(146TH) NORTH-EAST SECTION, GEORGE AIR FORCE BASE. ALTITUDE 3Ø,ØØØ FEET. STATIC NO VAPOR TRAILS OR NOISE. SECOND OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY THE BASE BALL FIELD ABOUT 3 BLOCKS AWAY FROM WHERE THE FIRST ON WAS SIGHTED. GOING SOUTH, ALTITUDE 3Ø,ØØØ - 4Ø,ØØØ FEET. NO VAPOR TRAILS NO NOISE. THIRD OBJECT SIGHTED AT BAKERY, ABOUT 3 BLOCKS

FROM WHERE OTHER OBJECTS WERE SIGHTED AT 1Ø,ØØØ-2Ø,ØØØ FEET. NO VAPOR TRAILS, NO NOISE. OBSERVER WAS [redacted] HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE, WAS AN AUTOMOTIVE PARTS CLERK IN CIVILIAN LIFE. HE IS TAKING INSTRUCTION FOR PRIVATE PILOTS LICENSE. CLEAR SKY, LITTLE WIND, GOOD VISIBILITY. T-6 AIRCRAFT DIRECTLY UNDER OBJECT (1ST SIGHTED) APPROX 1ØØØ FEET. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING. NO INTERCEPTION ACTION TAKEN.

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| Southern California | Commanding Officer<br>146th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
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| 14 May 1952 | 11 May 1952 | Probably True Report |

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| Maj Stephen V. Walrath, Jr.<br>Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

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1. Reference letter AFCIN-C/CC-2, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Total of 3 objects were observed. One resembled a paper plate in shape and aprearance and was of flat white color. Other two were too high for accurate estimate of shape or size but had metallic glow. One of these two was not continually visible because it seemed to waver or "bob." As it turned, the sun's reflection on it caused it to glint. The other of the two small objects was continually visible; both of them seemed to be in wing formation. The larger "paper-plate" like object flipped end over end in definite direction, disappearing into south with speed of jet fighter and returning about 5 minutes later at a reduced speed. "Paper-plate" object made 90° turn to south about 20 or 30 seconds after it reappeared, then seemed to approach the two smaller objects, which did not appear until second observation. No interaction apparent between "paper-plate" object and two smaller ones. No noise or vapor trails apparent.

(2) Sightings made at 1220 and 1226 respectively 11 May. Both observations lasted about 1 minute.

(3) Observation took place on ground visually.

(4) Observer was on central part of George Air Force Base at time of sighting (located about 6 miles northwest of Victorville, California). Larger object moved southwest when first sighted. When second observation was made, larger object was moving east toward observer, then headed south after 90° turn to right. Altitude was between 10,000 and 15,000 feet. Two smaller objects did not move in definite direction but remained in vicinity. Altitude was between 30,000 and 40,000 feet.

(5) Observer has high school educational background and is taking instruction as civilian light aircraft pilot.

1 INCLS. (6) Clear sky, visibility 30 miles, temperature 85°F, wind west at 5 knots per hour.

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(7) No special activity or condition which might account for sighting.

(8) No physical evidence of observation was apparent.

(9) No interception or identification action taken.

(10) No aircraft in the air in the vicinity at the time of observation.

(11) No balloon runs in vicinity at the time of observation.

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HEADQUARTERS
146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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14 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted], do make the following statement concerning certain unidentified objects observed by me on 11 May 1952:

1. One of the 3 objects that I observed resembled a paper plate in shape and appearance and was of a flat white color. The others were too high to allow any accurate estimate as to shape or size but had a metallic glow. One of the smaller objects was not continually visible because it seemed to waver or "bob." As it turned, the sun's reflection on it would cause it to glint. The other small object was continually visible and both seemed to be in a wing formation. The object resembling the "paper plate" flipped end over end in a definite direction, disappearing into the south with a speed of a jet fighter and returning about 5 minutes later at a reduced speed. 20 to 30 seconds after the second observation had commenced, I saw the "paper plate" object make a 90° turn to the south and then it seemed to approach the two smaller objects, which did not make their appearance until the second observation. There appeared to be no interaction between the "paper plate" object and the two smaller ones. I did not notice any noise or vapor trails emenating from any of the objects.

2. I made the two sightings at 1220 and 1226. The first observation lasted 1 minute and the second one lasted 1 minute.

3. I observed the objects from the ground with the naked eye.

4. I was at the central part of George Air Force Base when I made the observations. George Air Force Base is located 6 miles northwest of Victorville, California. The larger "paper plate" object moved in a south-west direction when first sighted. When I sighted it for the second time, it was moving east approaching me and then headed south after executing a 90° turn to the right. Its altitude was between 10,000 and 15,000 feet. The two smaller objects did not move in any direction but remained in the same general vicinity. They were between 30,000 and 40,000 feet high.

5. I have a high school education and am taking instruction as a civilian light aircraft pilot.

6. Weather was clear, with good visibility and little wind in the vicinity.

7. No special activity or condition which might account for the sighting.

8. No physical evidence of the observation was apparent.

9. No interception or identification action taken.

10. No aircraft in the air in the vicinity at the [redacted] time of observation.

[redacted]

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

**1. DATE**
13 May 52

**2. LOCATION**
George AFB, California

**3. DATE-TIME GROUP**
Local 1425 PDST
GMT 2155

**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**
☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar
☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

**5. PHOTOS**
☐ Yes
☒ No

**6. SOURCE**

**7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**
30 minutes

**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**
1

**9. COURSE**

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

Balloon released from Edwards AFB at 1340 PDT, 45 minutes prior to sighting.
Very probably saw balloon.

**11. COMMENTS**

Pilot and observer of T-6 were watching high flying bomber, spotted object.

**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

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SINGLE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT REPORTED BY OBSERVER PD APPREARED TO BE ROUND BUT WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE DIAMETER OR WHETHER OBJECT WAS FLAT OR BALL-SHAPED PD SEEMED TO REFLECT OR GLOW WHITE OR SILVER PD NO AERODYNAMIC FEATURES OR VAPOR TRAILS, NOR WAS THERE ANY EXHAUST PD APPEARED TO BE STATIONARY PD OBSERVER LOOKED AWAY, AFTER WHICH HE WAS UNABLE TO RELOCATE OBJECT PD OBJECT WAS SIGHTED FROM APPROXIMATELY 1425 HOURS TO 1455 HOURS P.D.S.T. ON 13 MAY 1952 PD OBSERVATION WAS MADE VISUALLY (WITHOUT USE OF ELECTRONIC OR OPTICAL EQUIPMENT) FROM ALTITUDE OF 10,500 FEET WHILE FLYING IN

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T-6G AIRCRAFT AT 150 MILES PER HOUR (IAS) PD OBSERVER WAS APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES NORTH OF GEORGE AIR FORCE BASE, ORBITING BETWEEN PRINCESS PAT MINE AND THE MOJAVE RIVER ON HEADING OF 240 DEGREES - 60 DEGREES PD THE OBJECT WAS NORTH OF OBSERVER AT A 60 DEGREE ANGLE ABOVE THE HORIZON PD OBSERVER WAS WATCHING, ALONG WITH HIS PASSENGER A/2C WALLEN. A SWEPT-WING JET BOMBER (BELIEVED TO BE B-47 TYPE) MAKING BOMB RUNS AT APPROXIMATELY 35,000 FEET ON EDWARDS RANGE EAST OF EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE PD RUNS WERE MADE FROM EAST TO WEST IN A LEFT HAND PATTERN PD OBJECT APPEARED 10,000 FEET ABOVE CONTRAIL OF BOMBER AND APPROXIMATELY 10 TO 20 MILES NORTH OF THE BOMB RUN PD JET FIGHTER PASSES ON BOMBER DURING BOMB RUNS INDICATED BY CONTRAILS PD NEITHER BOMBER NOR FIGHTER APPEARED TO NOTICE OBJECT PD OBSERVER, [redacted] 94TH FIGHTER-INTERCEPTOR SQDRON, IS FIGHTER PILOT AGED 28, COMMISSIONED 7 YEARS PD HAS APPROXIMATELY 2 YEARS OF COLLEGE PD HAS SERVED IN KOREA PD SERVED AS FLIGHT SAFETY AND ACCIDENT INVESTIGATING OFFICER WITH 49TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING PD CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED TO THE NORTH: VVVISILITY RESTRICTED TO 29 MILES IN THE SOUTH WITH SMOG PD LITTLE WIND PD NO SPECIAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING PD NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING PD INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN PD

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
|---|---|
| Southern California | Commanding Officer 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 24 May 1952 | 13 May 52 | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
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| Maj Stephen V. Walrath, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFOIN-3/3G-2, Subj: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dtd 19 Dec 51, Hq, USAF, Washington, D. C.

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. Reference letter AFOIN-3/3G-2, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Single object appeared round; undetermined as to ball or flat, unknown diameter; shiny, metallic; appeared to either reflect or glow white or silver; no aerodynamic features; no vapor trail, no exhaust; appeared stationary; looked away and was unable to relocate.

(2) Sighted at 1425 P.D.S.T. 13 May 1952. Observed object for thirty (30) minutes.

(3) Visual observation from air at 10,500 IAL, at 150 MPH IAS, T-6G aircraft. No sighting equipment used.

(4) North of George AFB, Victorville, approximately 10 miles, orbiting between Princess Pat Mine and Mojave River on heading 240° - 60°. Object north at 60° ∠ above horizon. Was observed by pilot and passenger, A/1C M. A. Weller. Jet bomber estimated to be B-47, making bomb run on PAT bombing range, E to W, at 35,000, object was approximately 10,000 feet above bomber. 10 - 20 miles north. Neither bomber nor fighter craft making passes at bomber appeared to notice object. One B-47 aircraft and evidence (contrails) of another jet aircraft were in the vicinity of observation.

(5) Fighter pilot, age 22, 7 years commissioned, approximately two (2) years of college, Korean returnee, served as Flight Safety and Accident Investigation Officer with 49th Fighter-Bomber Wing.

(6) Sky clear, visibility 20 miles, temperature 74°, wind west southwest 10 knots.

(7) No weather balloons in vicinity at time of observation.

(8) None.

1 INCLS.

(9) None.

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146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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WDO2

14 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted], 94th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, do this date make the following statement concerning my observation on 13 May 1952 of an unidentified flying object:

1. Single object; appeared round; undetermined as to ball or flat; unknown diameter; shiny, metallic; appeared to either reflect or glow white or silver; no aerodynamic features; no vapor trail, no exhaust; appeared stationary; looked away and was unable to relocate.

2. At approximately 1425 hours to 1455 hours P.D.S.T., 13 May 52.

3. Visual observation from the air at 10,500' IALT, at 150 MPH IAS, T-60 aircraft. No sighting equipment used.

4. North of George AFB, Victorville, approximately 10 miles, orbiting between Princess Pat Mine and Mojave River on heading 240° - 60°. Object was north at 60°/ above the horizon. I was observing, together with my passenger [redacted] a swept-wing jet bomber (estimated to be B47 type) making bomb runs on Edwards range east of EAFB, at approximately 35,000', runs being from east to west, left hand pattern. Object appeared above contrail of bomber by approximately 10,000' and to north of bomb run approximately 10 - 20 miles. Contrails supposedly from jet fighter aircraft showed fighter passes on bomber as bomb runs were accomplished. Neither bomber or fighter appeared to notice object.

5. Fighter pilot, age 23, 7 years commissioned, approximately 2 years college, Korean returnee, served as Flight Safety and Accident Investigating Officer with 49th Fighter-Bomber Wing.

6. C.A.V.U. to the north, visibility restricted to 20 miles to south with SMOG. Little wind.

7. None.

8. None.

9. None.

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1st Lt, USAF

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
|---|---|
| Southern California | Commanding Officer 14th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 14 May 1952 | 13 May 1952 | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
|---|---|
| Maj Stephen V. Walrath, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFOIN-3/CG-2, Subj: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dtd 19 Dec 51, Hq, USAF, Washington, D.C.

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. Reference letter AIOIN-C/CG-3, Subject: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting on Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dated 19 December 1951, Headquarters, United States Air Force, Washington, D. C.

a. The following information is submitted;

(1) Single object, round, small and appeared to be very far away. Whitish in color, no trail of vases or contrails, seemed to stand still, appeared to turn on its side for 30 seconds become thinner. Object directly overhead when it disappeared very fast. Like turning off a light, seemed to go straight up.

(2) Sighted at 1425 to 1455 P.D.S.T. 13 May 52. Time observed thirty (30) minutes.

(3) Visual observation from the air. Speed 150 KPH. Altitude 10,500. Aircraft was T-6G.

(4) Observer was passenger in aircraft north of George AFB about 10 - 15 miles. Object was almost directly above, a little north.. Appeared to be at least 30,000 feet above observer. One B-47 type aircraft and evidence (contrails) of another jet aircraft in vicinity.

(5) Observer is 22 years old with two years college. Worked 13 months at Hughes Aircraft, Culver City, California. Last six months of employment in flight test department as field attendent. Has completed six month aircraft and engine mechanic's course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. Has flown in aircraft since age of 18.

(6) Sky clear, visibility 20 miles, temperature 84°, wind west southwest 10 knots.

(7) Object might have been from Muroc AFB. No weather balloon in vicinity at time of observation.

(8) None.

(9) T-6G climbed as high as possible.

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HEADQUARTERS
146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

AF4552084

WD02 14 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, A/1C [redacted] Hq & Hq, 146th Air Base Group Base Flight, George AFB, California, do this date make the following statement concerning my observation on 13 May 1952 of an unidentified flying object:

1. The object was round and small and appeared to be very far away. The color was whitish but not bright like a reflection of the sun. There was only one and there was no trail as it seemed to stand still in the air. At one time the object seemed to turn on its side and become thinner for about 30 seconds. I was looking at the object and it was almost directly overhead when it disappeared. The object disappeared very fast.--Almost like a light being turned off. It must have gone straight up.

2. Time sighted 1425 to 1455 13 May 52.
Time observed - 30 minutes.

3. Visual observation from the air. Speed 150 mph. Altitude 10,500. Type of aircraft - T-6G.

4. I was sitting in the rear seat of the aircraft north of George AFB about 10 or 15 miles. The object was almost above us but a little north of us. The aircraft I was in flew east to west and west to east, back and forth. The distance of the object was at least 30,000 feet above us. It appeared to be above a B-47 in the area and that aircraft had vapor trails from it.

5. I am 22 years old and have completed two years of college. I worked for 13 months at Hughes Aircraft, Culver City, California, the latter six months in the flight test department as a field attendant. I have completed a six month aircraft and engine mechanic's course at Sheppard Field, Texas, in April of this year. I have flown in aircraft since I was 18 years old and never witnessed anything similar.

6. The weather was very clear - no clouds and a slight haze below us.

7. The object might have been from Muroc Air Force Base.

8. None.

9. We went as high as we could in our aircraft.

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Hq & Hq, 146th ABG Base Flight

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**1. DATE**

14 May 1952

**2. LOCATION**

George AFB, California

**3. DATE-TIME GROUP**

Local 1405 PDST

GMT 2105 Z

**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**

☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

**5. PHOTOS**

☒ Yes

☐ No

**6. SOURCE**

T-6 Pilot and observer

**7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**

25 Min

**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**

1

**9. COURSE**

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**

Balloon released from Edwards AFB at 0400 PDST or 10 hrs and 5 min before sighting.

Might possibly be balloon as description is similiar to sighting, that was a balloon.

Color: Silver-metalic
Shape: Circular

**11. COMMENTS**

T-6 pilot and observer saw silvery object hovering. Photos show only small spot. F-86 and F-94 from Edwards were in area but made no contacts.

**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

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PD REFERENCE MYMSG 146 FBW WD02 5-307 PD SAME OBSERVERS SIGHTED SIMILAR UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT IN SAME LOCALITY ON THE DAY PREVIOUS. SINGLE OBJECT APPEARED ROUND CMA UNKNOWN DIAMETER CMA SHINY CMA METALLIC CMA APPEARED TO EITHER REFLECT OR GLOW WHITE OR SILVER CMA NO VAPOR TRAIL APPEARED STATIONARY. SIGHTED FROM 1405 TO 1430 PDST 14 MAY 1952 VISUAL OBSERVATION FROM AIR 10,000 FT IALT CMA T-6G AIRCRAFT. BINOCULARS WERE USED CMA VIBRATION OF AIRCRAFT PREVENTED STUDY OF OBJECT. OBJECT OBSERVED NORTH OF GEORGE AFB CMA ESTIMATED ABOVE 40,000 FEET. OBSERVERS WERE [redacted]R

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94TH FIGHTER-INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON CMA FIGHTER PILOT AGE 28 CMA KOREAN

RETURNEE CMA 2 YEARS COLLEGE CMA 7 YEARS COMMISSIONED OFFICER CMA SERVED AS FLIGHT SAFETY AND ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION OFFICER WITH 49TH F-B WING AND A/1C [redacted] HQS 146TH ABG BASE FLIGHT CMA 22 YEARS OLD CMA 2 YEARS COLLEGE CMA GRADUATE OF A AND E COURSE AT SHEPPARD FIELD TEXAS. WEATHER CAVU TO NORTH CMA SOME VERY HIGH THIN CLOUDS IN AREA. WIND BLOWING STRONG ON GROUND CMA NOT GUSTY ABOVE 7,500 FEET. PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITH SMALL BOX CAMERA. PICTURES SHOWED VERY TINY OBJECT. EDWARDS AFB TOWER WAS CONTACTED AND ASKED WHETHER A WEATHER BALLOON HAD BEEN RELEASED. THEY ANSWERED NEGATIVE. LOCATION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT WAS GIVEN EDWARDS TOWER AND REQUEST WAS MADE IF ANY AIRCRAFT WERE IN AIR THAT COULD BE DISPATCHED TO INVESTIGATE. THEY ADVISED TO CONTACT ALGIERS CONTROL ON DOG CHANNEL. THEY DID NOT REPLY HOWEVER OSCAR TOWER /MUROC/ STATED F-86 WAS BEING AIRBORNE. TWO /2/ F-86 AND ONE /1/ F-94 WERE OBSERVED FOR NEXT 3/4 HOURS TRACKINV AT APPROXIMATELY 40,000 FEET ON EAST TO WEST HEADINGS.

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Object

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) |
|---|---|
| Southern California | Commanding Officer 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 15 May 1952 | 14 May 1952 | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
|---|---|
| Maj Stephen V. Wilmeth, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AF(IN-C/OO-2, Subj: "(UNCLASSIFIED) Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects," dtd 19 Dec 51, HQ, USAF, Washington, D. C.

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a. The following information is submitted:

(1) Single object observed was round, impossible to determine whether it was flat or ball-like. Object had a metallic surface that appeared to either reflect or glow white or silver. Observed no aerodynamic features, no vapor trail or exhaust. Object disappeared as observer looked away during a turn.

(2) Object observed at 1435 to 1439 PDST 14 May 1952.

(3) Observation made in the air in a T-6G 150 MPH IAS, altitude 10,000 feet IAS. Japanese binoculars (TOWA 7x50) used in observation.

(4) Observation was made while on a flight from head of Mojave River, north of George AF[illegible] to edge of dry lake, south of Edwards AFB. Estimated altitude of object was far above 40,000 feet, 30 miles east of Edwards AF[illegible] and appeared to be motionless.

(5) [redacted] years of age, commissioned 7 years. Has had two years of college. Korean returnee, served as Flight Safety and Accident Investigation Officer with 49th Fighter-Bomber Wing.

(6) Ceiling and visibility was unlimited to the north. Some high thin ice clouds in the area. Strong ground winds but not rusty above 7500.

(7) No activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(8) No physical evidence such as fragments, however, photographs were taken with small box camera.

2 INCLS. (9) Observer tried to contact Algiers control on "D" channel. Algiers did not reply, however Leon Tower, (Nurse) stated that an F-86 was being sent aloft. Two ( ) F-86's and one (1) F-94 were observed tracking at 40,000 feet east to west headings for next 3/4 hours.

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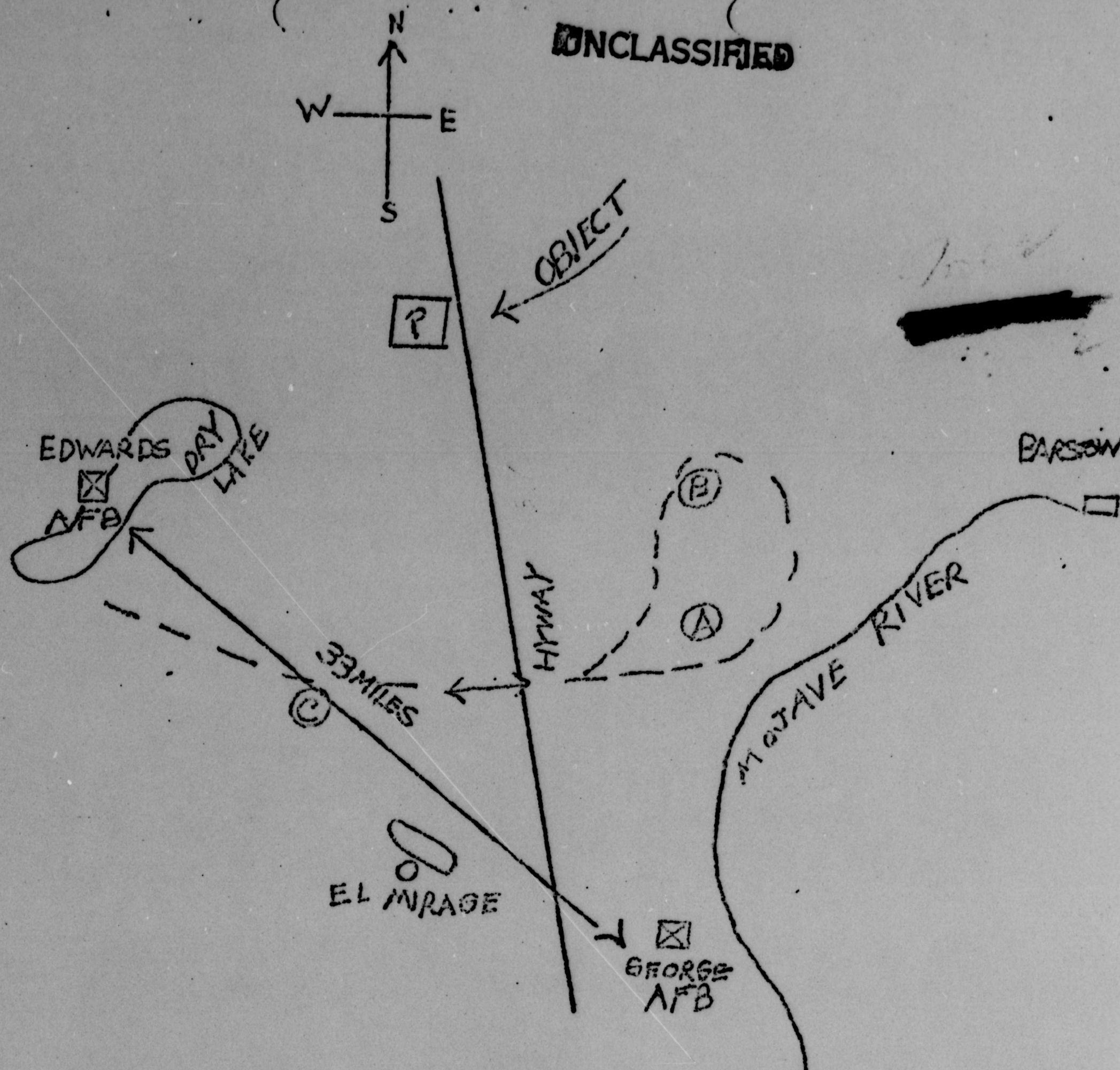
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Dotted line flight path of T-6G
At (A) object appeared 10° above horizon of earth (flying 245°-065° heading)
At (B) object was too high to observe (necessitating looking up through top of canopy). Sun interfered at this point.
At (C) object appeared at 45° above horizon (flying heading 290°).

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George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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14 May 1952

Statement of Observer

AF452086

I, 1st Lt [redacted] 94th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, do this date make the following statement concerning my observation on 14 May 1952 of an unidentified object:

1. The single object that I observed was round, but I was unable to determine whether it was flat or ball-like in volume. I was also unable to make any judgment as to its diameter. The object had a metallic surface that appeared to either reflect or glow white or silver. I observed no aerodynamic features on the object, nor did I see any vapor trail or exhaust. The object disappeared as my observer and I looked away during a turn.

2. I observed the object from 1405 to 1430 PDST.

3. Observation was made in the air, flying in a T-6G aircraft at 150 miles per hour IAS, at an altitude of 10,000 feet IAF. A pair of Japanese binoculars were used in the observation ( C/A.K 7x50). However, the vibration of the aircraft prevented careful study of the object.

4. At the time of observation I was on a flight between a point just west of the Mojave River north of George Air Force Base and a point just south of Edwards Air Force Base. (See attached diagram.) Altitude of the object was estimated to have been far above 40,000 feet. Location of the object was 20 miles east of Edwards Air Force Base and it was apparently motionless.

5. I am 23 years old, commissioned for 7 years. I have had two years of college. I am a Korean returnee and have served as Flight Safety and Accident Investigating Officer with the 49th Fighter-Bomber Wing.

6. Ceiling and visibility was unlimited to the north. There were some high thin ice clouds in the area. Strong ground winds were present but were not gusty above 7500 feet.

7. No activity, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the condition. Inquiry to Edwards AFB as to weather balloon release in the area brought a negative answer.

8. No physical evidence such as fragments. However, several photographs were taken of the object by a small box camera.

9. I asked Edwards AFB if any aircraft were in the air that could be dispatched to investigate. They advised me to contact Algiers control on "D" channel. Algiers did not reply. However, Oscar Tower (Nuroc) stated that an F-86 was being sent aloft. Two (2) F-86 and one (1) F-94 were observed tracking, at approximately 40,000 feet on east to west headings for the next 3/4 hours.

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# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

| 1. DATE | 2. LOCATION | 12. CONCLUSIONS |
|---|---|---|
| 20 May 1952 | George AFB, California | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☒ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 1425 PDST<br>GMT 2125 | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | ☐ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| 5. PHOTOS<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | 6. SOURCE<br>Several Airmen | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>5 Min | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>1 | 9. COURSE<br>Hovered |
| | | ☐ Other<br>☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☐ Unknown |

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Rawinsonde balloon launched from Edwards AFB at 1332 PDST or 53 min prior to sighting. Very probably balloon

Color: Silver
Shape: Round

11. COMMENTS

Hovering object seen by several Airmen. Looked like a bright star Winds from 300° to 270°

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AIR BASE GROUP, BASE FLIGHT. 6. WEATHER: VISIBILITY BRIEFLY 3 TO 5
MILES, SCATTERED HIGH CLOUDS. SURFACE WINDS 25 MPH WITH GUSTS TO
35 MPH. 7000 FT MSL: 350 DEGREES 35 KNOTS, 10,000 FT MSL: 360 DEGREES
25 KNOTS, 15,000 FT MSL: 260 DEGREES 50 KNOTS, 20,000 FT MSL UP
DEGREES 40 KNOTS, 25,000 FT MSL: 250 DEGREES 55 KNOTS. MAXIMUM
TEMPERATURE: 82 DEGREES F AT 1330 PST. 7. NO ACTIVITY OR CONDITION
METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING.
8. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING. 9. NO INTERCEPTION ACTION TAKEN.
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1. OBJECT WAS SILVERCOLORED, ROUND AND BRIGHT LIKE A LIGHT. NO TRAIL WAS VISIBLE. NO SOUND. THE OBJECT WAS STATIONARY, THEN IT MOVED AND FADED AWAY. 2. OBJECT SIGHTED 20 MAY 52, 1425 PDST. OBJECT WAS OBSERVED FOR A PERIOD OF 5 MINUTES. 3. OBSERVATION WAS VISUAL FROM THE GROUND. 4. OBSERVERS WERE ON THE FLIGHT LINE AT GEORGE AFB, CALIFORNIA. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE THE SIZE OF A STAR ONLY LARGER.

5. OBSERVERS WERE [redacted], HQ 146TH AIR BASE GROUP, BASE FLIGHT. 22 YEARS OLD, 2 YEARS COLLEGE. GRADUATE OF A & E COURSE AT SHEPPARD FIELD, TEXAS. [redacted]

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AF28203553, HQ 146TH AIR BASE GROUP, BASE FLIGHT. AGE 22. A & E MECHANIC. FLIGHT CHIEF OF T-6'S. [redacted] HQ 146TH AIR BASE GROUP, BASE FLIGHT. [redacted] HQ 146TH AIR BASE GROUP, BASE FLIGHT. 6. WEATHER: VISIBILITY BRIEFLY 3 TO 5 MILES, SCATTERED HIGH CLOUDS. SURFACE WINDS 25 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 35 MPH. 5000 FT MSL: 330 DEGREES 30 KNOTS, 10,000 FT MSL: 300 DEGREES, 25 KNOTS, 15,000 FT MSL: 280 DEGREES 50 KNOTS, 20,000 FT MSLC WIP DEGREES 40 KNOTS, 25,000 FT MSL: 290 DEGREES 50 KNOTS. MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE: 83 DEGREES F AT 1530 PDST. 7. NO ACTIVITY OR CONDITION METEORLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING. 8. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIVHTING. 9. NO INTERCEPTION ACTION TAKEN.

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unidentified Flying Object

| AREA REPORTED ON | FROM (Agency) | |
|---|---|---|
| Central California George AFB, Calif | Commanding Officer 178th Fighter-Bomber Wing | |

| DATE OF REPORT | DATE OF INFORMATION | EVALUATION |
|---|---|---|
| 22 Nov 1948 | [redacted] | Probably True Report |

| PREPARED BY (Officer) | SOURCE |
|---|---|
| Lt. Quentin V. Aumair, Jr. Wing Intelligence Officer | Usually Reliable Pilot Observers |

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable): Ltr, Hq USAF, AC/AS-2, subj: Intelligence Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects, dtd 10 Dec 48, Hq USAF, Washington, D.C.

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. Unidentified objects were described numerically by the 4 observers as follows:

a. One observer describes object as being oval in shape when viewed from a side position; otherwise round. Its color was a bright white, with a bluish hue of blue. He observed no exhaust or vapor trail. Object veered in one spot and then, as it slowly "peeled off" or turned, it displayed a reddish brown color (which may have been the color of the other side of the object and not of the ground earth). It disappeared slowly.

b. Another observer's impression of the object was that of a ball of ramary. When it turned over and headed north, it revealed its underside which was much larger than the top side and which was of a light brown color. Before that time it was relatively stationary. In size it was comparable to a P-51, but of a bulky character.

c. The third observer wrote of a round object, bright and silvery, like a light. He heard no sounds, nor saw any vapor trails coming from the object. The object seemed to fade away as it moved.

d. The fourth observer reported that he was watching a jet fly rolls at 10,000 feet when he sighted the object above and to the rear of the vapor trail left by the jet. It appeared to be stationary and seemed to be round but it was too high for the observer to make any estimate as to size or altitude. The object had a bright silvery surface. After it had remained stationary for about 5 minutes, it began to move, turning its edge up and displaying a darker side underneath. It moved at a fast speed, but left no vapor trail nor exhaust.

2. All four observers sighted the object at 1745 PST on the date indicated for a period of about 5 minutes.

3. Observation was made visually from the ground.

4. a. Location of observers: The observers were standing on the flight line at George Air Force Base at the time of observation.

b. Location: (1) The object when first sighted was located, according to one observer, due north of the flight line at a 1 o'clock position above the vapor trail of a P-47 which had recently been in the vicinity. When it began to move it did so in a northerly direction.

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| Commanding Officer<br>[illegible] Fighter-Bomber Wing | | |

(2) Another observer declared that the object was north-east of the observers at a 1 o'clock position.

c. Altitude: One observer estimated the height of the object to be "very great."

[redacted] is 22 years old with 2 years of college. He worked for 13 months at Hughes Aircraft, Culver City, California. During his last six months of employment there, he was a field attendant in the Flight Test Department. He has completed the 6 months aircraft and engine mechanic course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. He has flown in aircraft since the age of 16.

[redacted] is 27 years old and has 14 years of schooling. In civilian life he was an A&E mechanic. He is now flight chief of the T-6 aircraft for 146th Base Flight.

6. Weather conditions were: Hazy sky and strong ground winds.

7. No activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. No physical evidence: Fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

9. No interception or identification action taken.

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HEADQUARTERS WESTERN AIR DEFENSE FORCE
HAMILTON AIR FORCE BASE
HAMILTON, CALIFORNIA

In Reply Refer To: WDOID 350.09

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SUBJECT: Further Information on FLYOBRPT 20 May 1952

TO: Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D. C.
Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, Attn: ATIAA-2c
Commanding General, Air Defense Command, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. Further details of the sighting of an unidentified flying object by four airmen at George Air Force Base on 20 May 1952 in the form of individual statement are herewith furnished (Incls #1-4) by the Directorate of Intelligence, this headquarters.

2. In addition, it is reported that an investigation has determined that no unusual or unidentified tracks were observed by radar sites of this Command in the proximity of George Air Force Base at or near the time of this sighting.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

RALF T WILSON
Captain, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

4 Incls
1. Statement of S/Sgt Maxwell (2 cys)
2. Statement of A/3C Christian (2 cys)
3. Statement of A/1C Walton (2 cys)
4. Statement of A/1C Wallen (2 cys)

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HEADQUARTERS
146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

21 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted] Headquarters Squadron, 146th Air Base Group, do this date make the following statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 20 May 1952:

1. The object that I sighted appeared to be oval in shape when viewed from an edgewise position; otherwise, round. Its color was a bright white, with a bluish hue at times. No exhaust or vapor trail was apparent to me. It hovered in one spot and then, as it slowly "peeled off" or turned, it displayed a reddish brown color (which may have been the color of the other side of the object and not of the propellent). It disappeared slowly.

2. I sighted the object at approximately 1425 PDST.

3. I sighted the object visually from the ground. The height of the object was very great. It appeared to be only a little bigger than a pin point. No optical aids were used in the sighting.

4. I sighted the object while on the flight line at George Air Force Base, California. The object was north-east of us at approximately a 1 o'clock position.

5. - -

6. Weather was clear with high ground winds.

7. None.

8. None.

9. Report of observation was made immediately.

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A/3C, Hq Sq, 146th Air Base Group

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HEADQUARTERS
126TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

21 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted] 46th Base Flight, do this date make the following statement concerning observations of an unidentified object made by me on 20 May 1952:

1. My impression of this object was that of a ball of mercury. When it turned over and headed north, it revealed its underneath side which was much larger than the top side and which was of a light brown color. Before that time it was relatively stationary. In size it was comparable to a B-29, but of a bulky character.

2. I sighted the object at 1425 PDST on the date indicated for a period of about five minutes.

3. Visually from ground.

4. The object appeared due north of the flight line, George Air Force Base, at a 1 o'clock position above the vapor trail of a B-47 which had recently been in the vicinity. I was standing on the flight line at the time.

5. - -

6. Weather conditions were as follows: Clear weather with clouds at high altitudes.

7. None.

8. None.

9. None.

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[redacted]

A/1C, Hq Sq, 126th Air Base Group

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146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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21 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted] 146th Base Flight, do make the following statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 20 May 1952:

1. The object came into my line of sight while I was watching a jet do slow rolls at about 20,000 feet. The jet was leaving a clear vapor trail as it maneuvered. The object appeared above and to the rear of the vapor trail. The object appeared to be stationary. It seemed to be round but it was too high up for me to make an estimate of its size or altitude. The object had a bright silvery surface. After it had remained stationary for about 5 minutes, it began to move, turning its edge up and displaying a darker side underneath. It moved at a great speed, but left no vapor trail nor exhaust.

2. My observations of the object lasted about 5 minutes, from 1425 to 1430 PST on the date indicated.

3. Observation was made visually from the ground.

4. I sighted the object on George Air Force Base, 6 miles northwest of Victorville, California.

5. I am 22 years old and have 14 years of schooling. In civilian life I was an AGE mechanic. I am now flight chief of the T-6 aircraft for 146th Base Flight.

6. I observed the following weather conditions at the time: Hazy sky and strong ground winds.

7. None.

8. None.

9. None.

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[redacted] S/Sgt, 146th Base Flight

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146TH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING
George Air Force Base
Victorville, California

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21 May 1952

Statement of Observer

I, [redacted], Base Flight, 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing, do make this statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 20 May 1952:

1. The object that I saw was round and bright and silvery, like a light. I heard no sounds coming from it and saw no vapor trails. The object seemed to fade away as it moved.

2. My observation was made at 1425 PDST, on the date indicated and lasted for approximately 5 minutes.

3. I sighted the object with the naked eye from the ground.

4. I made the sighting on the flight line, George AFB. It appeared to be the same size as when I observed the same type of object previously from an altitude of approximately 12,000 feet (previous report dated 13 May 52).

5. I am 22 years old with two years of college. I worked 13 months at Hughes Aircraft, Culver City, California. During the last six months of employment there, I was a field attendant in the Flight Test Department. I have completed the 6 months aircraft and engine mechanics course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. I have flown in aircraft since the age of 18.

6. Weather conditions as observed by me were as follows: Hazy sky with strong ground winds.

7. None.

8. None.

9. None.

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A/1C, 146th Base Flight

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1. Date object was observed 20 MAY - 52

2. Time object was first seen 14:25

3. Place from which you observed the object GEORGE AFB CALIF, WABBET. LINE.

4. How was object observed (naked eye, binoculars, etc.) NAKED EYE

5. What were you doing when the object was first observed? WATCHING VAPOR TRAIL LEFT BY B-47

6. What attracted your attention to the object? THE SHINY BALL APPEARANCE.

7. Path of object.

   a. Direction from which object appeared (degrees or direction) N. NORTH EAST 1-O-CLOCK POSITION (25° N.E.)

   b. Direction in which object disappeared (degrees or direction) 80° AND DISAPPEARED LEVEL NORTH EAST

   c. Elevation object appeared (degrees above horizon) 80°

   d. Elevation object disappeared (degrees above horizon) 80°

   e. Shape of flight path of object (straight and level, arched, etc.) STRAIGHT & LEVEL

   f. How did object disappear (grow dimmer, go out suddenly, etc.) LOOKED AS IF IT ROLLED OVER AND WENT N.EAST OUT OF SIGHT. TURNED WITH A LIGHT BROWN COLOR ON UNDERNEATH SIDE & WENT

8. Length of time the object was observed 5 MIN

9. Description of object.

   a. How many objects were seen? ONE

   b. Apparent size of object? STAR SIZE ONLY BRIGHTER

c. Apparent speed of object? FASTER THAN ANY AIRCRAFT

d. Apparent altitude of object? 80 000 FT

e. Shape of object? ROUND LIKE A BALL OF MERCURY AT FIRST

f. Color of object? WHEN IT ROLLED OVER IT WAS LIGHT BROWN NORTH UNDER

g. Did object perform any maneuvers, if so describe

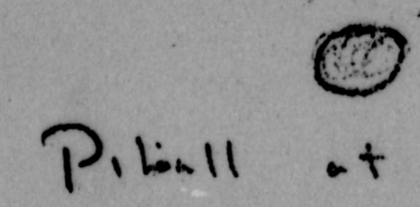
LOOKED LIKE IT ROLLED AND WENT LEVEL NE.

h. Did object make any sound, if so describe NO

i. Were any tails or trails seen? NO

j. Draw sketch.

AT FIRST



Pibal at 8.000'

WHEN IT ROLLED AND WENT OUT OF SIGHT



Brown when rolled over

10. What type of day was it (hazy, clear, etc.)? Describe.

CLEAR & WINDY

11. Clouds.

a. Were any clouds in sky at time of observation? HIGH CUMULOUS

If so, how much of sky was covered (overcast, scattered, etc.)

SCATTERED

b. Did object pass above, below, or near any clouds? NO

c. Did object reflect light on the clouds? NO

12. What is your occupation? T-6 CREW CHIEF

13. Any details that cannot be fully explained by the above questions.

THIS IS WHAT & HOW IT APPEARED TO ME

BEST I SAW IT

Name [redacted]

Address [redacted] AFB

Date 21 MAY - 52

1. Date object was observed 20 May 52

2. Time object was first seen 14:25

3. Place from which you observed the object 146th ABG Flight Line

4. How was object observed (naked eye, binoculars, etc.) naked eye.

5. What were you doing when the object was first observed? Watching B-47 over head.

6. What attracted your attention to the object? a bright glittering light

7. Path of object.

   a. Direction from which object appeared (degrees or direction) North North East (25°)

   b. Direction in which object disappeared (degrees or direction) Near the same spot. (25°)

   c. Elevation object appeared (degrees above horizon) 80°

   d. Elevation object disappeared (degrees above horizon) 75°

   e. Shape of flight path of object (straight and level, arched, etc.) It arched at first then went straight.

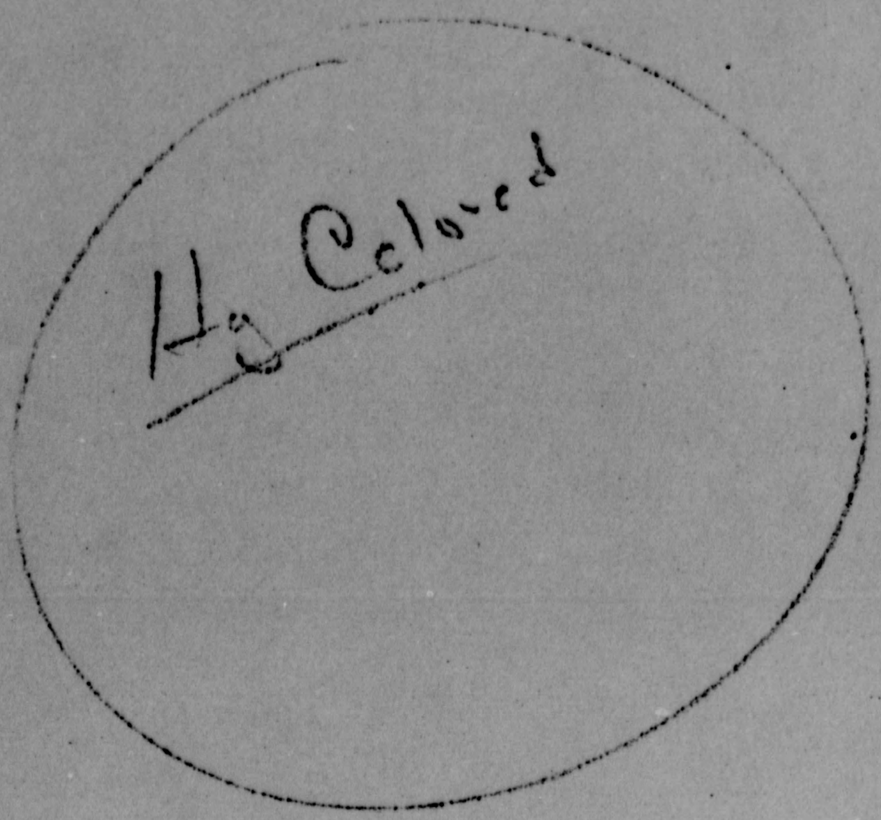
   f. How did object disappear (grow dimmer, go out suddenly, etc.) It slowly turned + grew dimmer.

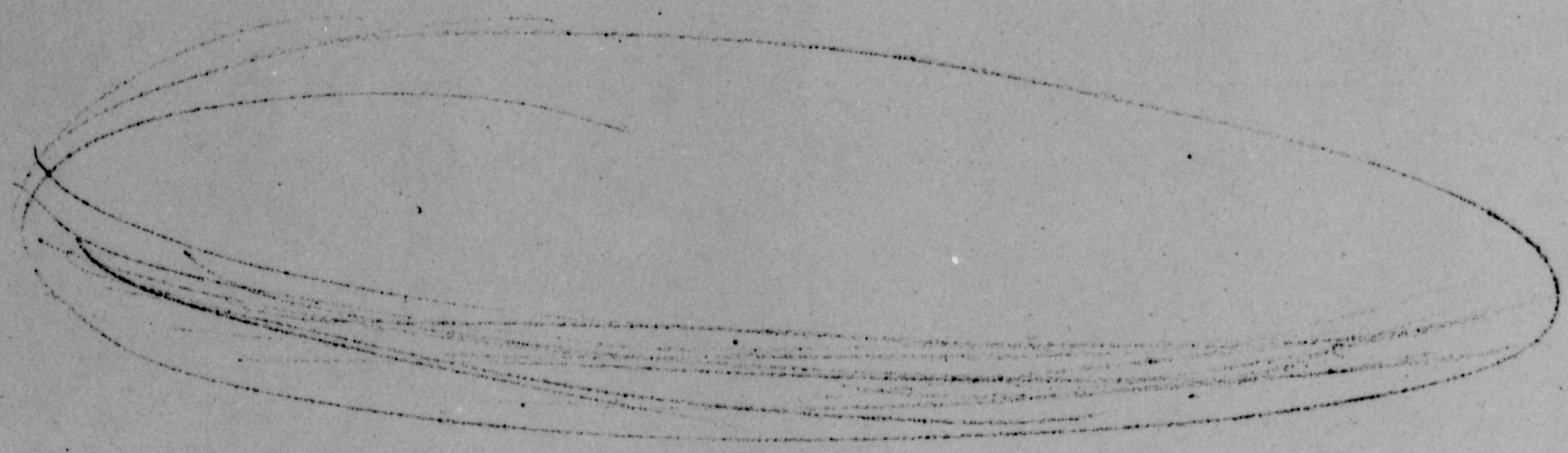
8. Length of time the object was observed about 5 minutes

9. Description of object.

   a. How many objects were seen? one

   b. Apparent size of object? simular to a star.



Tipped - Rvsm. to silv.
as it tipped.

Name [redacted]

Address Hq & Hq Sqdn 146th AIBG

Date 21 May 52

4-20 MAY 1952 GEORGE AFB, CA.

LIMITED TO BALLOON OBSERVATIONS