

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE OF THE GROUP 1 July 52 01/06/52		LOCATION Columbia, Mo (Witness)	
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (CAPELLA)		
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1			
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 hours 5 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS		
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Source observed a star like object in the sky to the North-Northeast of Columbia, Mo. At the beginning of the sighting (0146 CST) the object was at 3.7 deg elevation and 28 deg azimuth at end of sighting 0354 CST, the object was at 18.7 deg elevation and 46.7 deg azimuth.		
7. COURSE Nearly Stationary			
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No			
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No			
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT FLYOBJEPT		
AREA REPORTED ON CENTRAL MISSOURI		FROM (Agency) Intelligence Officer Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
DATE OF REPORT 17 July 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 1 July 1952	EVALUATION B-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) OTIS W. BAUSKE, Major, USAF		SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED]
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5 and Message, this Hq, GC203G, dated 10 July 1952		

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 112-1 Part II.)

1. Source observed a star-like object in the sky to the North Northeast of Columbia, Missouri at 0140 hours CST. An Aurora Borealis was in progress at the time and the object was plainly visible against the dark background below the Aurora.

2. Source watched it for a few minutes and detected movement in opposition to that of the stars. He then examined it through a theodolite. Observation through the instrument showed an irregular change of color from red to green. Angular movement was small; thus, he was able to follow it with the theodolite for more than two hours until daylight obscured it. Source says object lost its color between 0310 CST and 0335 CST. The object then had the relative appearance of a planet approximately half the size of Jupiter as seen through the same theodolite. The object gave the appearance of extreme distance and movement away from the earth. Observed by the naked eye, the object twinkled like a star. Listed below are the angle readings in degrees and tenths and the times of the readings. Times are by 24-hour clock and Central Standard Time.

TIME	ELEVATION	AZIMUTH	TIME	ELEVATION	AZIMUTH
0148	3.7	28.0	0345	17.4	45.7
0155	4.5	31.6	0346	17.6	45.8
0157	4.7	31.9	0347	17.7	46.0
0228	7.9	36.3	0348	17.9	46.1
0242	9.5	38.1	0350	18.2	46.3
0310	13.0	41.8	0352	18.4	46.4
0335	16.1	44.8	0354	18.7	46.7

3. Source says that two other witnesses saw the object. One is a CAA Communications man and the other is a weather observer who came on duty before daylight.

4. Source states that he was a pilot in the Troop Carrier Command during World War II and has 1800 hours in C-47 type aircraft. He has been a Weather Bureau Observer since 1947. Source further states that this is the fifth unidentified flying object seen since June 1950, although he did not report any previous ones. He rates this as the least spectacular of those previously observed.

5. No intercept action was taken.

None
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