

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8 Mar 54		2. LOCATION San Antonio, Texas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>09/0507Z (night)</u> GMT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE military & civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 10-20 group		9. COURSE East	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Crescent shape group of objects, high intensity light. Speed est 1500 mph. 70 deg elev 180 deg az at initial appearance. 70 deg elev 155 deg az at disappearance flight to East.				11. COMMENTS Straight line of flight, short duration, meteor breaking up.	

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

AT 8

Multi

- 0014 03

WPB203

YDD212

WYA253

WDC199

JWFMB B231

PP JEDEN JEDWP JEPHQ 333

DE JWFMB 81

P 092030Z

FM COMDR SAAMA KELLY AFB TEX

TO JEDEN/COMDR AIR DEF COMD ENT AFB COLO

JEDWP/COMDR ATLC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQS USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/COMDR AMC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

SABB-3-21-E FOR AMC MCEP UFOB IN COMPLIANCE WITH AFR 200-2 DTD 26

AUG 53 THE FOL REPT IS SUBM 1. A. OBJ CONSISTED OF A SERIES OF MORE THAN TEN BUT LESS THAN TWENTY LIGHTS ARRANGD IN A CRESCENT SHAPE.

B. APRX EQUAL TO A REG SIZED DINNER PLATE HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.

C. VERY HIGH INTENSITY WHITE LIGHTS. APPEARED TO BE FLUORESCENT.

D. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT THERE WERE BETWEEN TEN AY INDIV

OBJ FLY IN CLOSE FORMATION. OBSR STATED THAT THE RELATIVE PSN OF THE INDIV LIGHTS DID NOT C WHICH LEADS WRITER TO BELIEVE THAT ONLY ONE

OBJ WAS OBSRD. E. SEE 1.A. F. NONE OTHER THAN STATED IN 1.A.

G. THERE APPEARED TO BE A BLUISH HAZE SYRROUNDING OBJ.

H. NO SOUND. I. SPEED EST TO BE FIFTEEN HUNDRED MPH. OBSR CERTAIN

THAT OBJ WAS NEITHER CONVENTIONAL ACFT NOR ANY OTHER KNOWN ACTY.

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2. }
3. ATIG-2
4. ATI Reading File

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ALT EST TO BE BET TEN AND TWENTY THOUSAND FEET. 2.A. OBSRS WERE IN THE FRONT YARD OF PVT RESIDENCE WHEN OBJ SIGHTED. B. ANGLE OF ELEVATION SEVENTY DEGREES. AZIMUTH, ONE HUNDRED EIGHT DEGREES. C. ANGLE OF ELEVATION SEVENTY DEGREES. AZIMUTH, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE DEGREES. D. OBJ FIRST SIGHTED DUE SOUTH AND CONTINUED EAST IN A STRAIGHT LINE. E. OBJ BECAME OBSCURED BY TREES. F. APROX THREE SECONDS. 3. A. GRD-VIS. B. N/A. C. N/A. 4. A. 90507Z MAR 54.

B. NIGHT. 5. OBJ OBSR FR RESIDENCE [REDACTED] SAN ANTONIO TEXAS.

6. OBJ WAS OBSRD BY MAJ [REDACTED] 10965A 1708TH FERR [REDACTED] AFB TEXAS. DY ASGMT GRP NAV & INTL O. RELIABILITY UNKNOWN. OTHER

OBSRS INC MRS [REDACTED], MR AND MRS [REDACTED] JR [REDACTED] SAN ANTONIO TEXAS. MR [REDACTED] IS BRANCH MANAGER OF S RIEKS

& SON SAN ANTONIO TEXAS. RELIABILITY UNKNOWN. 7.A.\$ VERY CLEAR NIGHT. NO CLOUDS. C. UNLIMITED. D. FIFTEEN MI. E. NONE. F. NONE.

7. B.\$ WIND DIR (DEGREES) VELOCITY (KNOTS)

SURFACE	CALM	
6,000	350	35
10,000	340	45
16,000	350	55
30,000	350	63
50,000	280	50
80,000	NOT AVAILABLE	

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8. NONE. 9. NONE. 10. NEGATIVE. 11. ONE B-50 AND ONE 6-29 ACFT IN
AREA AT TIME. NOTHING RPTD BY CREW. 12. MAJOR [REDACTED] CHIEF
BASE SECURITY DIV. POSSIBLE CASE OF SIGHTING UNK.

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Source: CLIFF NEWSLETTER

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SAUCER MARGINALIA ... A Review of Significant Sightings Collected by CRIFO

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ELLIPSOIDS ... THEIR EVIDENCE AND THE EXPERTS: Mr. J. Ackeret, professor of aerodynamics at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zurich, recently visited the General Electric plant near Cincinnati, in his itinerary of Aerodynamic installations in the U.S. When asked about flying "saucers" the professor said he believes Americans can quit worrying. He described them as "illusions".

Professor Ackeret is not alone among the "experts" who have belittled the "saucer" or discredited creditable sighters. Perhaps the most myopic of skeptics is Dr. Roy K. Marshall, director of Morehead Planetarium. In his pedantic address to Un. of Cincinnati, Nov. 5, 1952, Dr. Marshall said that only two groups are qualified to thoroughly observe the skies -- meteorologists and astronomers, and "neither of these has ever seen a so-called 'flying saucer'." Dr. Marshall, of course, was wrong. Several astronomers have reported unidentified disc-shaped objects, the most significant being Dr. Clyde Tombaugh, the discoverer of the planet Pluto. In 1948, over Las Cruces, New Mexico, he and his family witnessed an object which he described as a "solid ship" of a kind he had never seen before. It was oval shaped and "seemed to trail off at the rear into a shapeless luminescence." The object emanated a blue-green glow, and about a half dozen windows were clearly visible at the front of the ship and along the side.

Many similar sightings have been reported, not only by astronomers, meteo-

BT CASE (INFORMATION ONLY)

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