

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 30 April 1955		2. LOCATION Rome, Georgia		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 _____ GMT 01/0110Z May		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION approx two minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two		9. COURSE to northwest	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Father and nine year old son observed aircraft of conventional type passing overhead. As plane flew away two flaming objects appeared to separate from the a/c, one in each direction from the wing tips.				11. COMMENTS Investigation by flight 3-C reveals there was a flight of four a/c practicing break-ups over Rome during the time of sighting. Probably the observers noted the above mentioned a/c.	

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/U N C L A S S I F I E D/INT 2409 PD UFOB PD (1) (A) ROUND (B) SIMILAR
TO A SHOOTING STAR (C) FIERY BALL (D) TWO HOWEVER OBS SAW ONLY ONE
CMA HIS EIGHT-YEAR-OLD SON SAW TWO (E) NONE (F) NEG (G) NEG (H) NEG
(I) THE TWO FIERY BALLS APPEARED TO COME FROM AN AIRCRAFT FLYING
OVERHEAD AT THE TIME OF SIGHTING, ONE BALL FROM EACH SIDE OF THE ACFT
(2)(A) OBSERVERS EIGHT-YEAR-OLD SON POINTED THEM OUT (B) ACFT EST AT
2000 TO 2500 FEET (C) OBJECT APPEARED TO MOVE 5 TO 10 DEGREES UPWARD
SLOWLY (D) ACFT CAME FROM ESE CMA DEPARTED TO W CMA ONE OBJECT FLEW
OFF TO NNE CMA THE OTHER TO THE SSW CMA BOTH IN A GRADUAL UPWARD PATH
(E) OBSERVER CAME INTO HOUSE TO REPORT SIGHTING (F) ONE AND ONE-HALF TO

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THREE MINUTES (3)(A) GROUND VISUAL (E) NEG (C) NEG (4)(A) 1 11 Z
MAY 55 (E) NIGHT (5) ROME GEORGIA CMA GEOF GJEE 4916 (6)(A) CIVILIAN:
MR [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED] HE CMA ROME GEORGIA EMPLOYED
AT LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CORP MARIETTA GA AND HIS SON [REDACTED]
ACED 3 (E) NEG (7)(A) CLEAR (E) 35/11 AT SURFACE; 1 /3 AT 3000;
4 /15 AT 10000; 1 /42 AT 16000; 35/54 AT 20000; 35 /90 AT 30000;
34/52 AT 50000; UNK AT 80000 (C) NEG (D) 15 MILES (E) NEG (F) NEG
(G) NEG (9) NEG (10) UNK (11) DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE 35TH AD (D)
DOBBINS AFB GA MIGHT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN INADVERTENT DISCHARGE OF
ARMAMENT OR PYROTECHNIC PD MAXWELL FLT SVC MAXWELL AFB ALA IS ALSO
FILING REPORT ON THIS SIGHTING (12) NEG END

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C. CELING NONE

D. VISIBILITY 15 MILES

E. CLOUD COVER NONE

F. THUNDERSTORMS NONE

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3. NONE

9. NONE

13. UNK

11. OPERATIONS OFFICER MAXWELL FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALABAMA
CPAT K.A. SNYDERS FLT SERVICE CLNV OFF OBJECT VERY POSSABLY WAS INAD
VERTENT ROCKET FIRING

12. NONE

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11/0530Z MAY JESYO

A. CIVILIAN

████████████████████

ROME GA ██████████

LOCKEED EMPLOYEE

B. MILITARY

7 WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTING

A. CLEAR 15

B. SURFACE	38	DEGREES	8	KNOTS
6000 FEET	362	DEGREES	15	KNOTS
10000 FEET	360	DEGREES	30	KNOTS
16000 FEET	350	DEGREES	25	KNOTS
20000 FEET	350	DEGREES	40	KNOTS
30000 1335	350	DEGREES	70	KNOTS
50000 FEET	340	DEGREES	50	KNOTS
80000 FEET	D(REES		KNOTS	

C. CELING NONE

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2. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

- A. ACFT FLYING SSE INW OBJECTS CAME FROM BOTH WINGS
- B. SEEMED TO BE AT APPROX 2500 FT ABV SFC
- C. UNK
- D. SEEMED TO CLIMB ON ANGLE OF 35 TO 40 DEGREES ONE PROCEEDED TO WTS
TO WEST OTHER TO EAST
- E. FADED OUT
- F. 30 SECONDS

3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

- A. SOUND VISUAL
- B. NONE
- C. N/A

4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

A. ^{01/}~~01/~~0311Z

B. NIGHT

5. LOCATIONS OF OBSERVER

BACK YARD OF HOME IN ROME GA

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6. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS

A. CIVILIAN

MR [REDACTED]

ROME GA PHON [REDACTED]

LOCKHEED EMPLOYEE

B. MILITARY

7. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTING

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JESKB/COMMANDER 35TH AIR DIVISION (DEFENSE) DODDINS AFB MARIETTA GEORGIA

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1. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

A. BALL OF FIRE

B. UNKNOWN

C. FIREY RED

D. 2

E. SIDE BY SIDE AT FIRST THEN SEEMED TO DIVERGE

F. NONE

G. TAIL

H. NONE OTHER THAN ACFT FROM WHICH IT CAME

I. NONE

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B. SEEMED TO BE AT APPROX 2500 FT ABV SFC

C. UNKNOWN

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UFOB CORRECTION

ERROR NOTED IN UFOB REPORT TRANSMITTED BY THIS CENTER 010440Z.

CORRECT AS FOLLOWS: THIS PARAGRAPH 4A (TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING)

NOW SHOWS 33211Z SHOULD READ 01011Z. SGD GOLINSKI

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT

UFOS

AREA REPORTED ON

ROME, GEORGIA (GRID 5016)

TIME OF REPORT

FLIGHT 2-6, 1602Z APR 55

DATE OF REPORT

3 MAY 1955

DATE OF INFORMATION

1 MAY 1955

PREPARED BY (Name)

RICHARD C. VAUGHN, 1ST LT, USAF

GRADE

REFERENCE (If any)

FMSS INT 2409 DTC 0103Z APR 55, 35th AD, DAB, 847 THE STAFF, 110000Z APR 55

SUMMARY

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PART ONE: Description of sighting by
ROME, GEORGIA (GRID 5016)

PART TWO: Supplementary Investigative Efforts

PART THREE: Comments of Reporting Officer

II. SUMMARY: Report of UFOS sighting by [REDACTED] 010300Z
1955

III. INVESTIGATORS: 1ST LT RICHARD C. VAUGHN AG 186052,
1602Z APR 55, 1602Z APR 55

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John C. Wright Jr.
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Colonel, USAF
Commander

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REPORT NO.	20-4308-5-55	Part One
FLIGHT 2-3, 4602D ATSS		PAGE 2 OF 4

I. SOURCE:

Address - [REDACTED] Rome, Georgia

Age - Unknown

Occupation - Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, Marietta, Georgia

Education - Unknown

Qualifications - Familiar with present day conventional aircraft

II. RELIABILITY: Due to the conflicting reports Source gave Base Operations, Dobbins AFB, D/I 35th AD, Dobbins AFB, and FLT 2-3, reliability is questionable.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: Shortly after nightfall on 010410Z May 1977, SOURCE and his small boy, age 9 years, were working in the back yard of their home at [REDACTED] ROME, GEORGIA (SICR 5016) when an aircraft flew over heading N-W at an altitude of 1500-2500 feet. SOURCE stated that the aircraft was definitely of conventional design, had a reciprocating engine or engines, was displaying running lights, and traveling at rather slow speed as compared to a jet aircraft. After the aircraft passed over, SOURCE continued with his work as there was nothing unusual about the aircraft.

Shortly thereafter, SOURCE stated his son called his attention to the aircraft again and what appeared to be a fireball, about the size of a shooting star without a tail, departing from the left wing or the left side of the aircraft and traveling in a westerly direction at the same speed as the aircraft, which continued on N-W. The fireball seemed to climb slightly as it continued in a straight path to the west. The fireball was fairly bright for 30 seconds and faded out of view in about 1 1/2 minutes but never lost altitude. After the fireball disappeared, SOURCE stated his son spoke of a second fireball which departed from the right side of the aircraft and disappeared to the north in the same manner. SOURCE stated that he did not see the second fireball because of a tree in the line of vision. At first SOURCE thought the aircraft was practicing some sort of night maneuvers but the fireballs seemed to be unusual so he reported the sighting to Base Operations, Dobbins AFB as he thought the aircraft would probably be from there. About one hour after the sighting, SOURCE stated that what he thought was the same aircraft came back over flying in a S-E direction at the same altitude, speed, and displaying running lights.

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FLIGHT 2-C, 46020 ATSS

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SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIONS CONTINUE

1. A check with the 4674th E.O.S., Douglas AFB, revealed that no reports of any unusual sexual activity had been received through any of their father centers.

2. Flight Service Center, Maxwell AFB, Ala made the following check: (b)(7)(D)

- b. McChesney Tyson Airport, Tenn.
- c. Donaldson AFB, S.C.
- d. Sewart AFB, Tenn.
- e. Berry Nashville Airport, Tenn.
- f. Memphis Naval Air Station, Tenn.
- g. Memphis Municipal Airport, Tenn.

3. Base Operations, Whitting AFB revealed that the observer, Mr. [REDACTED] first reported the sighting to Base Operations. The report of the sighting given to Base Operations differed considerably from the report Source gave F2C Investigations. Observer reported to Base Operations, DAFB that the aircraft was 4000-5000 feet altitude flying North, and the aircraft appeared to drop a smaller aircraft which flew West. Bomber aircraft continued North.

Base Operations. DAFB stated that no local aircraft was in the Rome, Va area at the time of the sighting and that no other information on the sighting was received from any other source.

4. A check was made with the Municipal Airport, Atlanta, Georgia. No animal activity reported.

5. Information received from Bradley Observatory, Atlanta, Georgia, indicated that no unusual observations were made or were reported to the Observatory during the past week.

6. Operations Officer, Naval Air Station, Columbus, Georgia revealed that two flights of four aircraft each were practicing tactical formation flying and tactical break-ups in the Rome, Georgia area between 010100Z and 010106Z May 1975.

Operations Officer described these aircraft as Navy P40's single engine aircraft, having a collector ring exhaust system with the single exhaust port at the bottom section of the collector ring. Also during these tactical maneuvers all aircraft would display running lights. Before the tactical break-up the all aircraft may or may not display running lights.

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COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. In the opinion of the Preparing Officer, this sighting was probably caused by one of these flights of Navy F4U aircraft when the wing man in the flight dispersed to the right and left in a tactical break-up for the following reasons:

a. Source first reported that a small aircraft departed from another aircraft, that he probably first saw was the flight of four aircraft and thought they were one aircraft. When the left wing man broke off, it took on the appearance of a small aircraft departing from a larger aircraft.

b. Source's report to F2C investigators was considerably different than he first reported to Base Operations, Dobbins AFB. The fireball he described could have been the exhaust flame from the aircraft or may have been the running lights.

c. The sighting was made shortly after nightfall, therefore several persons in the Rome, Georgia area must have witnessed the same sighting but didn't see anything unusual about it.

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1st Lt., USAF
Officer in Charge

COMMENTS of Approving Officer:

Concur in the opinion of the Preparing Officer that sighting was caused by a flight of conventional type aircraft as explained in this report.

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2. Have AF pilots ever shot at, or
ever been ordered to fire at UFOs?

A. No case on record.

Recorded facts: On April 8, 1953, AF
jets fired on a UFO circling a balloon
near Rockford, Ill. Missing the UFO,
the jets set the balloon on fire.

(Confirmed by GOC reporters, including
J.C. Gregory, Rockford Civil Defense
official.) On Dec. 10, 1949, the
following statement was made by [redacted]

Major [redacted], USAF, [redacted]
Agency, with the approval of General
Sory Smith, Director of AF Public In-
formation, who was present: At first
the AF was so anxious to bring down
a UFO for examination that pilots
were told to get one by any means
possible. Some pilots, [redacted] added,
had fired at UFOs for this reason.

Rockford, Illinois

8 April

Nuclear Test Today

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 5 (AP).

—Atomic scientists changed their minds today and rescheduled for 9 a. m. tomorrow the highest nuclear test made in the United States. An earlier announcement said there would be no test tomorrow because of unfavorable weather. However, a later re-evaluation apparently indicated improving wind conditions aloft. The shot, designed to wipe out an enemy air fleet, is to be touched off six miles above the proving ground at Yucca Flat.

1 - 15 MAY 1955 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
May	Miami, Florida	REDACTED	Other (UNRELIABLE RPT)
3	New York City, New York (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Insufficient Data
4	Keflavik Airport, Iceland	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
4	Fellows, California	REDACTED	Aircraft
7	Baltimore, Maryland (FOLDER) ^{IN SEPARATE FOLDER} REDACTED (MISSING) (PHYS S)	REDACTED	Other (VALVE WHEEL)
7	Glenburnie, Maryland	REDACTED	Balloon
7	29 Palms, California	REDACTED	Aircraft
8	Klamath Falls, Oregon	REDACTED	Balloon
8	Long Beach, Mississippi	REDACTED	Insufficient Data
9	Ukiah, California	REDACTED	Astro (JUPITER)
10	Terryville, Connecticut	REDACTED	Aircraft
11	Thurmon, Colorado	Civil Airlines	Aircraft
11	Yonkers, New York	REDACTED	Aircraft
11	Munday, New York	REDACTED	Astro (JUPITER)
11	Tinker AFB, Oklahoma	Military	Astro (METEOR)
13	Bear Island, Maine	REDACTED	Other (AIRCRAFT FLARES)
13	Charleston, Maine	REDACTED	Other (AIRCRAFT FLARES)
13	Duluth, Minnesota	Air (RADAR)	Aircraft
13	Old Town, Maine	REDACTED	Other (AIRCRAFT FLARES)
13	Hollister, California	REDACTED	Aircraft
14	Fargo, North Dakota	REDACTED	Aircraft
14	Syracuse, New York	REDACTED	Balloon
15	Little Falls, New Jersey	REDACTED	Aircraft
15	New York City, New York	REDACTED (PHOTO)	Other (HOAX)