

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 19 May 1955		2. LOCATION Van Nuys, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☒ Possibly Aircraft	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 19/1935Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 or 5 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE north	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Extreme delta, Silver. Seemed to roll while in flight. High speed. Rolled out of sight!.				11. COMMENTS Possible a/c.	

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/UNCLASSIFIED/669ACWS 074-Y PD UFOB. 1. A. EXTREME DELTA. B. JET FLYING HIGH. C. SILVER. D. ONE. E. SEEMED TO ROLL WHILE IN FLIGHT. F. NEGATIVE.

3. NEGATIVE. H. NEGATIVE. I. NEGATIVE. 2. A. HIGH SPEED. B. VERY HIGH.

C. NORTH D. ROLLED OUT OF SIGHT. E. OVERHEAD. F. FOUR TO FIVE MINUTES.

3. A. GROUND VISUAL. B. NEGATIVE. C. NEGATIVE. 4. A. 191935Z MAY 55.

B. CLEAR WITH SLIGHT HAZE. 5. A. EJBE 2913. B. VAN NUYS. 6. ~~REDACTED~~

~~REDACTED~~ SUN VALLEY, CALIF., WRITER.

7. NEGATIVE. 8. NEGATIVE. 9. NEGATIVE. 10. NEGATIVE. 11. NEGATIVE. 12.

NEGATIVE.

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19/2300Z MAY JWPJB

FINAL EVAL
DER 4602d RPT

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Probably A/C
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COUNTRY: USA REPORT NO: 10-0108-8-55 ORIGIN: DEAF BEANS

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: U1308
AREA OF INTEREST: VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA, USA
DATE OF REPORT: 23 MAY 1955
DATE OF INFORMATION: 19 MAY 1955
EVALUATOR:
PREPARED BY (NAME): WILLIAM M CONNOR 2ND LT USAF
SOURCE: [REDACTED]
REFERENCE: (Cite any source, document, or report)
T1 Hsg 669th AGRON, FORT RUCKELT, CALIFORNIA, DTD 192050Z MAY 55
SUMMARY: (A brief summary of the information reported in the report)

I. CONTENTS:

- PART ONE: Description of sighting by Paula Volante, 11317 Esalto Street, Los Angeles.
- PART TWO: Supplementary Investigative Material.
- PART THREE: Comments of Reporting Officer.

II. SUMMARY:

The sighting made at VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA, (R7153 2913) at 191935Z May 1955 was determined to have been caused by any one of a number of jet aircraft flying in the vicinity at the time of the sighting. The premise that it could have been a delta wing type aircraft was discounted since there were no military installations in the area utilizing this type aircraft. Although no individual aircraft could be singled out to be the cause of the sighting, the fact that there was abnormal activity in the location and time of the sighting, plus the fact that there were no reports of unusual objects by pilots flying in the area at the time, confirms the conclusion as mentioned above.

III. INVESTIGATORS:

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I. SOURCE

Address: [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, USA

Age: 18

Occupation: Foot

Education: Not determined

Qualifications: No previous experience as a member of the Ground Observer Corps. First experience in dealing with unusual atmospheric phenomena.

II. INFORMATION

Report. In connection to report given to Commander 669th AGF, 1st AF, 1955, 6/14/55, in which it was stated that H30B was an extreme delta-wing silver jet flying very high & phone call to him. Mc Kenzie revealed that the H30B was not necessarily a delta wing aircraft, that it might have been a very large object flying very high or a small object flying low. Miss Mc Kenzie was alone at the time of the sighting. No other persons reported seeing this object.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: SOURCE at the time of sighting (191935Z May 55) was in VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA, USA (PARK 2913). SOURCE described object as being one silver delta-wing jet flying at a very high rate of speed at a very high altitude. Object was traveling from SOUTH to NORTH and seemed to roll while in flight. SOURCE had object in sight approximately four or five minutes until the object disappeared abruptly overhead. There was no evidence of trail or contrails. The weather was very hot and sunny with a slight haze.

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SUPERINTENDENT INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS:

1. A check with Flight Operations at Edwards Air Force Base was made for aircraft in the area at the time of sighting. Negative results.

2. A check with Flight Service at March Air Force Base was made for aircraft in the area at the time of sighting. Negative results.

3. A check with Miramar Naval Air Station was made for aircraft in the area at the time of sighting with negative results.

4. A check with Convair Flight 112 at Palmdale, California was made for aircraft in the area at the time of sighting. This plant had no aircraft in the air all day.

5. A check with Flight Operations at the Lockheed Air Terminal was made to determine if any aircraft from that station was in the area at that time. The Lockheed Air Terminal is located at Burbank, California (EABSS 3913). Flight Operations reported that jet traffic over VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA from the Lockheed Air Terminal is very heavy. Jet traffic from the Lockheed Air Terminal to points WEST use a check point at VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA. Flight Operations reported jet traffic in the area at the time of sighting. Jet pilots in the area at the time of sighting reported nothing unusual.

6. A telephone conversation with SOURCE on 281304 May 55 revealed the following:

a. The object was not necessarily delta winged, but rather appeared to have no definite wingspan whatever.

b. It flew with swooping movements similar to those a bird might use.

c. It could have been either a small object at a low altitude or a large one at a great altitude.

d. It somewhat resembled an F-94C type aircraft which fly regularly from the San Bernardino Valley Airport (EABSS 3113). The one discrepancy being that the object appeared to be completely silver, even at a seemingly great distance, whereas the F-94C type aircraft appear to be of a darker color.

e. Although the object moved with motions similar to that of a bird, SOURCE stated that she was positive it was not a bird.

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COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

1. It is the opinion of the preparing officer that subject sighting was caused by some type of "conventional" jet aircraft for the following reasons:
 - a. No delisting type aircraft could be placed in the vicinity at the time of the sighting.
 - b. Besides being close to the San Fernando Valley Airport from which F-916's operate, the vicinity in question is also a check point for aircraft operating out of the Lockheed Air Terminal at Burbank, California.
 - c. Flight Operations at the Lockheed Air Terminal stated that aircraft were operating in this particular vicinity at the time of the sighting and if any unusual objects had been present, they certainly would have been reported.
 - d. When contacted via telephone on 20 May, SOURCE stated that object could have been any type aircraft.

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COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

Concur in the opinion of preparing officer that sighting was probably caused by some type of "conventional" jet aircraft.

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7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Four to Five (4-5) Minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One (1)		9. COURSE Due North	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One (1) silver, delta wing, object seemed to roll while in flight at a very high altitude and at a great rate of speed.				11. COMMENTS Upon investigation of Flight 1-C, 4602d AISS, the reliability of the witness was deemed poor. Source was not at all positive the sighted object was delta winged. The conclusions of the investigating authority were that the object was a jet aircraft of the "conventional type.	