

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 7 Nov 55	2. LOCATION 52. 38.45W (Atlantic)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical <i>RefractionMoon</i> ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 08/0249Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE military		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE N/S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Elliptical obj with reddish glow like top third of an orange in inverted position. No sound, obj gradually faded away.		11. COMMENTS Refraction of moon through layer of clouds.	

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PARA 2-176 (i)
By H. Quintanilla

CITE PIKBPL 77CL
SUBJ UFOB CIRVIS REPT FOLLOWS. LLT SC54 ACFT, USAF NBR 72456,
E/R HARMON TO PRESTWICK VIA GREAT CIRCLE ROUTE SIGHTED UFOB AT 0249Z
AT ACFT POSITION 52-54N, 38-45W. (REPT FOLLOWS REPT FOR MAT OUTLINED
BY PARA 7.D AFRR 200-2, DATED 12 AUG 1954) "(1)(A) SHAPED AS
HELLIPTICAL (B) SIZE-RESEMBLED SIZE OF TOP THIRD OF ORANGE (C)
COLOR-REDDISH YELLOW (D NUMBER-1) (E) FORMAVION-NOT APPLICABLE
(F) DESCERNABLE FEATURES-RESEMBLED TOP 1 THIRD OF AN ORANGE
IN INVERTED POSITION. (G) NOT AILEVIDENT (H) NO SOUND DISCERNABLE
(I) DEMINISHED SLOWLY IN SIZE AND APPEARED FT FADEAWAY.
7.D. (2) (A) NAVIGATOR TAKING JELESTIAL POSITION NOTICED ABJECT AND

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NOTIFIED PLT: (B) ELEVATION 5 DEGREES ABOVE PLANE OF FLIGHT, AZIMUTH 5 DEGREES TO RIGHT OF ACFT NOSE. (C) SAME AS ABOVE (D) MOVED AWAY ALONG AZIMUTH REPT ABOVE UNTIL IT DISAPPEARED. (E SEE) (D). (F) OBJECT IN SIGHT FOR 2 MINUTES (0249Z TO 0351Z).

7.D (3) (A) VISUAL OBSERVATION. (B) NO OPTICAL OR RADAR AIDS EMPLOYED. (C) SC-54, AF 72456, 1000 FT, TRUE HEADING 067 DEGREES, 155 KNOTS, 67 ARS PRESTWICK SCOTLAND.

7.D (4) (A) 0249Z 8 NOV 55 (B) NIGHT

7.D (5) 5 RWF-54N, 38-45W.

7.D (6) (A) NOT APPLICABLE. (B) LYLE G LAFON, CAPT 67 ARS, A/C, RELIABLE; EUGENE W INGOLD FIRST LT, 67 ARS, NAV, RELIABLE; FREDERICK G SHAW, 67 ARS, FLIGHT ENGINEER, RELIABLE.

7.D (7) (A) 5/8 STRATUS 4 TO 5000 FT VIS 50 MILES NO OVERHEAD CLOUDS AT FLIGHT LEVEL. (B) DET 62, 18 WEA SQ PRESTWICK ADVISES FOLLOWING WEA FORECASTED FOR POSITION AT TIME OF SIGHTING "SIGHTING OCCURED APPROX 90 MILES WNW OF OCEAN VESSEL C. VESSEL C TOOK SURFACE OBSERVATION AND ALSO RADIO SONDE OBSERVATION BETWEEN 0200 AND 0300 HOURS" ZULA WHICH REVEILED FOLLOWING METRO DATA; 1/8 STRATO CUMULUS BASES 2000 FT VIS 7 MILES WITH LIGHT RAIN SHOWERS SURFACE WIND 320 AT 17 KNOTS. RADAR OBSERVATION INDIC THAT APPROX 4-5000 FT WITH A THIN BROKEN LAYER OF CLOUDS AT 14000 FT WITH TOPES OR LAYERS TO APPROX

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20,000 FT. PLT REPORTS FROM OTHER ACFT DO NOT INDIC THIS UPPER DECK. 6000 FT WIND 320 AT 25 KNOTS; 10,000 WIND, 320 AT 25 KNOTS; 16,000 WIND, 310 AT 35 KNOTS; 20,000 WIND, 300 AT 50 KNOTS; 30,000 WIND 300 AT 068, 50,000 WIND 200 AT 30 KNOTS". (C) NONE ABOVE FLIGHT LEVEL PEREP (D) 50 MILES PIREP (E) NONE PIREP (F) NONE PIREP

7.D (8) MOON WAS SEEN TO RISE APPROXIMATELY 1 AND 1 HALF HOURS AFTER SIGHTING AUIORAB AKSFD018FF PRIOR TO SIGHTING. (9) NONE TAKEN. (10) NOT AVAL THIS HQ, HOWEVER BELIEVE DATA COULD BE OBTAINED FROM OCEANIC AIRTRC CONTROL. (11) BASE INTEL OFFICER 1631 AFBRU ATLD MATS PRESTWICK SCOT. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS REVELAS THAT PDG CHECKED WIND SHIELD FOR REFLECTIONS BUT COULD NOT ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING DUE THAT CASSE, FACT THAT MOON ROSE APPROXIMATELY 1 HALF HRS LATER MIGHT EXPLAIN SIGHTING DUE TO AN UNDETERMINED PARALLAX PHENOME NON REFLECTING OFF HIGH CLOUD LAYERS AT 20,000 FT. (SEE METRO PORTION) HOWEVER DUE TO LACK OF PIREPS CONFIRMING HIGH LAYER AT 20,000 FT, UNABLE TO FURTHER EXPLAIN SIGHTING. REF IS MADE TO MSG THIS HQ "OPS 04-185, 18 APR 55 DTG 180835Z (UNCL) REL TING TO CIRVIS REPT 1 17 APR 55 AT 2335Z BELIEVE SUBJ REPT SHOULD BE COMPARED WITH THIS REPT FOR QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS. SUGGEST ALSO THAT COORD OF ALL KNOWN UFOB SIGHTING SIERRA GREAT CIRCLE NORTH ATLANTIC ROUTE BE CHECKED TO SEE IF DEF INOBLE PATTERN EXISTS. (12) NO PHYSICAL OR PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE 10/0910Z NOV

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ACTION

CITE PIKGPLN 80-CL
REF MSG THIS HQ PIKBPL 78CL. SUBJ UFOB DTG 091430. NAVIGATION
SECTION THIS HQ STATES THAT MOON SHOULD HAVE ARISEN AT 0247Z ON
MORNING OF 8 NOV 55, ON TRUE HEADING OF 077 DEGREES FROM POSITION
OF SC 5472456. IN AS MUCH AS ACFT WAS FLYING TRUE HEADING OF 067
DEGREES, STRONG POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT CREW OBSERVED PARALLAX
PHENOMENON OR REFLECTION OF MOON. BASE INTELL OFF 1631 AB GRU PRESTWICK
SCOTLAND
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