

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>17 March 1956</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Torrance, California</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Venus ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>18/0415Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE <u>Civilian</u>		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>one hour, thirteen min</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>see description</u>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object, round when standing still but "fish-shaped" when turning. Like a street light at times, like star at other times. First seen at 210 dgr 45 dgr elevation. Disappeared at 270 dgr, 45 dgr elevation. Bright white with rays extending fm it and with a violet colored exhaust, 30 feet long. Seen through telescope, type and power unknown.		11. COMMENTS Discounting initial azimuth, object conforms with characteristics of Venus observation.	

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~~Prob. Venus~~

Insufficient information

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Multiposs

- discount azimuth

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2 }
3 }

4-4X2a
JJC

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RC212

WPD220 YDB172 XYB211 XDD165JBA138

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M 2002003Z

FM COMDR 27TH AIR DIV /DEF/ NORTON AFB CALIF

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTEL CEN WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/FIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHDC

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/U N C L A S S I F I E D/2701 TAC C-0263 PD UFOB

1. (A) ROUND WHEN STANDING STILL LIKE A FISH WHEN TURNING PD (B) ABOUT SIZE OF STREET LIGHT WHEN SEEN FROM ONE ANGLE CMA LIKE A STAR FROM ANOTHER ANGLE PD (C) BRIGHT WHITE PF (D) ONE PD (E) NXA (F) RAYS EXTENDING FROM IT PD (G) VIOLET COLORED EXHAUST 30 FT LONG PD (H) NONE (I) NONE PD

2. (A) FIRST SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE A METEORITE OVER PALOS VERDE THEN SAW THE OBJECT PD (B) 210 DEGREES AZIMUTH 45 DEGREES ELEVATION PD (C) 270 DEGREES AZIMUTH OVER OCEAN 45 DEGREES ELEVATION PD (D) HOVERED AND TURNED PD (E) WENT BEHIND A HILL A REDONDO BEACH CALIF PD

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(F) 1 HR 13 MINUTES PD

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WITNESSES

7. (A) CLEAR AND DARK (B) 27TH ADIV (C) CLEAR (D) 7 MILES (E) NONE

AT FIRST SIGHTING CMA SOME BENEATH 30 MINUTES LATER PD (F) NONE PD

8. METEORITE WAS OBSERVED IN SAME AREA BY SAME PERSON PD

9. NONE

10. UNKNOWN

11. ACCORDING TO POLICE THE MAN SOUNDED INTELLIGENT SINCE THE OBSERVATION WAS MADE WHILE HE WAS DRIVING HOME PD LT GUY A PETERSON

CMA DUTY CONTROLLER 27TH ADIV DOES NOT PUT MUCH FAITH ON THE AZIMUTH CHANGING PD IT IS MORE LIKELY THAT OBSERVER DROVE AROUND THE OBJECT PD

12. NONE

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