

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 May 1956		2. LOCATION Lake Leelanau, Michigan		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 12/0330Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION one hour, five minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE NW in erratic movement	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object appearing to be round, vunnel shaped, and sometimes circular. Yellow streaks with green center and red sides was the description of the colors. Seen through binoculars.				11. COMMENTS Concur with the opinion of the reporting officer that this sighting was caused by the planet Venus.	

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TO RJEDAE/COMDR 37TH ADIV TRUAX FLD MADISON WISCONSIN

INFO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLORADO

RJEDWP /COMDR AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATT AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25 DC

RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURG N Y

BT

/UNCLASSIFIED/ OPS 62 PD UFOB IAW PAR SIX BRAVO TWO ZERO DASH TWO CMM

THE FOL RPT IS SBMT PD

PART 1 (A) ROUND, CIRCULAR AND OCASSIONALLY CHANGED TO
FUNNEL SHAPE —

(B) NICKEL

KC) YELLOW STREAKS, GREEN CENTER WITH JED SIDES

(D) ONE

(E) N/A

(F) NONE OTHER THAN SIZE AND SHAPE

(G) TAIL OF FUNNEL

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(H) NONE

(I) DIMS AND BRIGHTENS

PART 2 (A) ACCIDENTIAL - OBJECT CAUGHT OBSERVERS ATTENTION

BY ITS BRIGHTNESS

(B) NORTHWEST 60 DEG ABOVE THE HORIZEN

(C) 60 DEG - 315 DEG ✓

(D) ICREGULAR STOPS AND GOES

(E) FADE OVER LAKE MICHIGAN

(F) ONE HOUR AND FIVE MINUTES

PART 3 (A) GROUND VISUAL

(B) BINOCULARS

(C) NONE

PART 4 (A) 0330Z 12 MAY 1956 TO 0435Z 12 MAY 1956

(B) DARK

PART 5 (A) EQ 3550

PART 6 7A) ~~REDACTED~~, LAKE LEELANUA ALE 48 USED

CAR DEALER AND LIVE BAIT DEALER, GOOD

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PART 7 (A) CLEAR

(B) 6,000 25/30P12

10,000 24/50P03

16,000 24/60-08

20,000 24/65-15

30,000 24/70-39

50,000 25/75-57

80,000 N/AVAIL

Q (C) CLEAR

(D) 15 PLUS

(E) CLEAR

(F) NONE

PART 8 (A) NONE

PART Q9 (A) NONE

PART 10 (A) NONE

PART 11 (A) TRAVERSE CITY CAA REPORTS NO TRAFFIC IN THAT AREA

PART 12 (A) 1ST LT RICHARD H. ERICSON OPERATIONS OFFICER PD THIS
OBJECT HAS BEEN SIGHTED AND REPORTED NUMEROUS TIMES
IN THE PAST THREE MONTHS PD THE OBJECT WAS INVE-
STIGATED BY INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL FROM SELFRIDGE AFB
MICHIGAN IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR AND DETERMI ED TO BE
THE PLANET VENUS PD I BELIEVE THIS TO BE THE SAME
OBJECT.