

UFOB INDEX CARD

AISS-UFOB-223-56

1. DATE 26 July 1956	2. LOCATION Bernalillo, New Mexico	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical <i>Venus</i> ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
3. DATE-TIME GROUP 26/0900Z Jul 56	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. three (3) hours	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One (1)	9. COURSE Rose slowly in Sky. ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One (1) large object about size of a "ball three feet in diameter held at arm's length". Shape was "almost round with rays going outward". Color was bright orange like fire. Object was brighter than the brightness of an automobile headlight at several yards, appeared to be solid and moved slowly upward dimming with distance. Object made no sound. Object observed for approximately three hours visually and through binoculars (7 x 50). Object did not disappear and could be seen by source upon going to sleep.		11. COMMENTS Report received from D/I, 34th Air Div (Def), KAFB, New Mexico via AF Form 112. This Headquarters does not concur with Reporting Officer who Believed sighting to be an optical illusion. Opinion of this Hqs. is that sighting was Caused by Planet Venus. Duration of sighting, movement of object, color, shape, and probability of temperature inversion in area all support this conclusion. Unfortunately source was unable to supply elevation and azimuth. Therefore, evaluation is "probably Venus".