

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 September 1956		2. LOCATION Parma Heights, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Mars ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2200 (N) GMT 05/0300Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian OSI report			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION five minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE no movement	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object size & shape of star. Color glowed in yellow, green, blue, orange & red. Object did not move.				11. COMMENTS From all indications & description, of sighting, beleived to be caused by planet Mars.	

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY REFER TO: 5D-24-21-180

13 September 1956

SUBJECT: (Unclassified)
Report of Unidentified Flying Object as seen by
[REDACTED], Civilian, [REDACTED],
Parma Heights, Ohio, on 4 September 1956, in the
Vicinity of Doxmere and Snow Roads, Parma Heights,
Ohio, Approximately Four (4) Miles East of Cleveland
Hopkins Airport

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
ATTN: AFOIN4E4
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. Transmitted herewith for your information is one (1) copy of
Spot Intelligence Report, dated 12 September 1956, by this District
Office, subject and file as above.

2. Your attention is invited to the provisions of AFR 124-1,
which prohibit the release of investigative information to unauthor-
ized persons.

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Spot Rpt dtd 12 Sep 56

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Benneth N. Whittemore
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Wm G. HINES
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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From 5th District OSI
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
OHIO

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12 September 1956

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: (Unclassified)

Report of Unidentified Flying Object as seen by
[REDACTED] L. Civilian, 11215 Snow Road,
Parma Heights, Ohio, on 4 September 1956, in the
Vicinity of Doxmere and Snow Roads, Parma Heights,
Ohio, Approximately Four (4) Miles East of Cleveland
Hopkins Airport

TO: Director, Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS: On 4 September 1956, at approximately 2200 hours,
[REDACTED], reported seeing an unidentified flying object while
observing stars from his home at 11215 Snow Road, Parma Heights, Ohio.
Object, according to [REDACTED] was star shaped, blinked off and on in
several colors, and remained stationary in sky for entire five (5)
minutes it was under observation.

2. DETAILS: On 5 September 1956 [REDACTED] 11215 Snow
Road, Parma Heights, Ohio, voluntarily came to the office of the 5th
OSI District (IG) Detachment, Room 611, 1367 East 6th Street, Cleveland,
14, Ohio, and reported the following information concerning unidentified
flying object in conformance with Air Force Regulation 200-2, dated 12
August 1954:

a. Description of the object:

- (1) Shape: That of a star.
- (2) Size: That of a star.
- (3) Color: Glowed in yellow, green, blue, orange and red.
- (4) Number: One.
- (5) Formation: Only one (1) sighted.
- (6) Discernible features or details: Blinked off and on
and brightness comparable to surrounding stars.
- (7) Tail, trail, or exhaust: None discernible.

b. Description of course of object:

- (1) What first called the attention of observer to the
object: [REDACTED] stated that because of his interest
in unidentified flying objects he was looking at the
stars.

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- (2) Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object when first observed: Elevation thirty (30) degrees; azimuth due West.
- (3) Angle of elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance: [REDACTED] stated that he only viewed the unidentified flying object for approximately five (5) minutes and that there was no apparent movement of the unidentified flying object.
- (4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object: [REDACTED] stated there was no apparent movement.
- (5) Manner of disappearance of object: Unidentified flying object did not disappear during the five (5) minutes he viewed it.
- (6) Length of time in sight: Five (5) minutes.

c. Manner of observation:

- (1) Ground-visual.
- (2) Optical aids: None.
- (3) Airborne Sighting: No.

d. Time and date of sighting:

- (1) 2200 hours, 4 September 1956.
- (2) Light conditions: Night.

e. Location of observer: Corner of Dommere and Snow Roads, Parma Heights, Ohio. Approximately four (4) miles East of Cleveland Hopkins Airport.

f. Identifying information of observer: Civilian - [REDACTED] age twenty-one (21) years, [REDACTED] Road, Parma Heights, Ohio, employed as Stock Clerk, telephone number [REDACTED]

g. Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sightings: Observer's account of weather conditions: Clear sky and no wind.

h. Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting: [REDACTED] could offer none.

i. Interception or identification action: Not applicable.

j. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting: None.

k. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting: Not applicable.

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he is the self appointed president of this organization and that [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, is Chief Investigator. [REDACTED] stated that he could not recall the names of the others present at the meeting which took place at his home on 22 August 1956, but that he had a list of them at home. [REDACTED] stated that he had received approximately fifty (50) telephone calls and letters in answer to his letter to the editor. [REDACTED] stated that the purpose of this organization is to discuss unidentified flying objects and to interview persons who have sighted unidentified flying objects. In connection with this BITTEL stated that on 4 September 1956 he had interviewed a Mrs. [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, telephone number [REDACTED] regarding an unidentified flying object she sighted. [REDACTED] stated that Mrs. [REDACTED] had related to him [REDACTED] that between 0400 and 0430 on 28 July 1956 she sighted a spherical object of redish white color, "hovering up and down" beside the moon, and that there was no sound. [REDACTED] had no further information regarding Mrs. [REDACTED]'s sighting. [REDACTED] stated that he had approximately twenty (20) or thirty (30) reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects. [REDACTED] further stated that the sighting on 4 September 1956 was the first time he has ever seen an unidentified flying object.

7. [REDACTED] stated that his only formal education was high school. BITTEL stated that he had seen the motion picture "Unidentified Flying Object" in May or June of 1956 at the Stillman Theater, fifteen (15) or sixteen (16) times. [REDACTED] stated that he lives with his mother and step-father, [REDACTED] (he was not sure of the spelling of his step-father's last name although his mother has been married to the step-father for three (3) years.)

8. [REDACTED] stated that he has been employed as a Stock Clerk since getting out of high school. [REDACTED] stated that he has been employed at [REDACTED] and was to start a job today (5 September 1956) at [REDACTED] at E. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

9. ACTION: No other similar reports relative to this matter are received. No further action is contemplated relative to the report received.

10. This letter is classified CONFIDENTIAL pursuant to the authority contained in paragraph 30c(2)(a), AFR 205-1.

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1. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs: None.

3. [REDACTED] stated that on 4 September 1956, at 2245 hours, [REDACTED] Woodland Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, called him [REDACTED] and reported the following to [REDACTED]. Approximately 2215 hours, 4 September 1956, [REDACTED] had sighted two (2) lights flying together at 800 to 900 MPH and that they were white in color. [REDACTED] further stated that these lights were 100 to 200 feet apart, the size of a star, circular in shape and made no sound and that the unidentified flying objects were flying East. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] had related to him [REDACTED] that he had seen these unidentified flying objects from the front porch of his home at [REDACTED] Woodland Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. [REDACTED] further related that [REDACTED] stated that at 2235 hours, 4 September 1956, that he sighted an unidentified flying object about three-quarters of the size of Mars, circular in shape, with a blinking red glow, traveling East at an estimated 900 MPH and that there was no sound. [REDACTED] related that [REDACTED] stated it could possibly be a jet aircraft.

4. [REDACTED] stated that at 2305 hours, 4 September 1956, [REDACTED] called again and stated he saw two (2) unidentified flying objects coming from Southwest (no further detail). [REDACTED] stated that he went out side but could not see these objects. [REDACTED] further stated that the object that he [REDACTED] had seen at 2200 hours had disappeared from the West and that it was now Northeast of his location and that it was moving back and forth. [REDACTED] did not recall any further details.

5. [REDACTED] stated that he has had an interest in unidentified flying objects for approximately three (3) years and that he has read the following books on the subject of unidentified flying objects:

- "Flying Saucers On Attack" by WILKINS
- "Report On UFO" by Captain RUPPELT
- "Flying Saucers From Mars" by CEDRIC ALLINGHAM
- "Flying Saucer Conspiracy" by Major DONALD KEYHOLE, USMC

In addition, [REDACTED] stated that he has read articles in the following magazines "The Little Listing Post" published in Washington, D. C., "Saucerian" by GRAY BARKER, formerly with the International Flying Saucer Bureau of Bridgeport, Connecticut. [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] was formerly director of the International Flying Saucer Bureau.

6. [REDACTED] stated that in a letter-to-the-editor, which appeared in the Cleveland Press on 21 August 1956, he solicited others who were interested in unidentified flying objects to form a club. [REDACTED] further stated that this club which is known as the Northern Ohio UFO Research Council has had one (1) meeting at which approximately fifteen (15) persons were present. [REDACTED] stated that during this first meeting the discussion centered around explanation for the sighting of unidentified flying objects. [REDACTED] stated that

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