

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 October 1956		2. LOCATION Colorado Springs, Colorado		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical (CAPPELLA) ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 02/0340Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian & Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION two hours		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE higher in sky	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One round flashing red and green object similar to a star and the size of a pencil point at arm's length. Object was bright and unmoving-pulsating. Object was first seen at approximately 20dgr elevation and 40dgr azimuth. Obj was last seen at 35 dgr elevation & 50 dgr azimuth. Obj rose higher in sky slowly. Object was seen visually and through binoculars for two hours and was still in sight when observers went to bed.				11. COMMENTS Interview with two sources indicate that this sighting was caused by the star Capella seen through three temperature inversions. Size, description, flight path and duration support this hypothesis. Evaluation: astronomical.	

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/UNCLAS/AISCC 0007 PD THIS IS A UFO MESSAGE PF

1. (A) GROUND SIMILAR TO A STAR PD (B) PENCIL POINT AT ARMS
LENGTH PD (C) FLASHING RED AND GREEN PD (D) ONE PD (E) N/A PD
(F) BRIGHT AND UNMOVING DASH PULSATING PD (G) ONE PD (H) NONE PD
(I) NONE PD

(2) (A) GLANCED UP AND NOTICED OBJECT PD (B) APPROX TWENTY
DEGREES ELEVATION AND FORTY DEGREES AZIMUTH PD (C) APPROX
THIRTY FIVE DEGREES ELEVATION AND FIFTY DEGREES AZIMUTH PD
(D) ROSE HIGHER IN SKY SLOWLY PD (E) WAS STILL IN SIGHT AFTER
TWO HOURS PD (F) TWO HOURS PD

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(3) (A) GROUND VISUAL PD (B) BINOCULARS PD (C) N/A PD

(4) (A) 02/0340Z TO 02/0540Z OCT 56 PD (B) NIGHT PD

(5) 3849N CMM 10449W PD

(6) (A) [REDACTED] CMM COLORADO SPRINGS PD

(B) 1/1LT HUGH KINGSLEY, COC FILTER CENTER, COLORADO SPRINGS,
COLORADO, ADJUTANT, COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

MAJOR EUGENE MANTRIN, HEADQUARTERS 452D AISS ENT AFB COLO CMM
DUTY OFFICER 3RD COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS FERNANDO PORRAS, HEADQUARTERS 452D AISS
ENT AFB, COLORADO, CHARGE OF QUARTERS, COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

(7) (A) ICAVU PDI (BL SURFACE /N/5-13; 3,700/NNE/5-12,

(D) 1/LT HUGH KINGREY, SOC FILTER CENTER, COLORADO SPRINGS,
COLORADO, ADJUTANT, COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

MAJOR EUGENE MANFRIN, HEADQUARTERS 4632D AISS ENT AFB COLO CMM
DUTY OFFICER SMM COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS FERNADO PORRAS, HEADQUARTERS 4632D AISS
ENT AFB, COLORADO, CHARGE OF QUARTERS, COMPLETELY RELIABLE PD

(7) (A) ICAVU PDI (BL SURFACE /N/5-10; 3,000/NNE/5-10,

6,000/NNE/T; 10,000/NNE/5; 15,000/WW/10; 20,000/360/10;

30,000/360/35; 40,000/330/25; 50,000/320/20; PD (C) UNLIMITED PD

(D) SIXTY FIVE PD (E) SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 8,000 FT PD

(F) NONE PD

(8) THREE TEMPERATURE INVERSIONS AT 18,000 CMM 34,000 CMM

AND 39,000 FEET MEAN SEA LEVEL PD

(9) NOTE PD

(10) NONE PD

(11) ASSISTANT OPERATIONS CONTROL OFFICER PD COMMENTS CLN

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INTERVIEW WITH TWO 4632D AISS PERSONNEL WHO WITNESSED SIGHTING
AFTER IT WAS REPORTED INDICATED THAT SIGHTING WAS CAUSE BY
TH STAR CPAELLA SHINNING THROUG SEVERAL TEMPERATURE INVERSIONS
PD

(12) NOE PD END

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