

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 August 1957	2. LOCATION Niagra Falls AFB, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 22/0053Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military & Civilian		☒ Was Astronomical Venus ☐ Probably Astronomical Jupiter ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 to 30 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two	9. COURSE NW	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object twice as large as star. One object three times as large as star. Bright white, changing to orange momentarily. One object slightly higher and to the South of other--disappeared over horizon.		11. COMMENTS Later rpt identifies these two rpts to be Venus & Jupiter.	

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CONTACTED AND THEY REPORTED A VISUAL SIGHTING. OTHER GCI SITES CONTACTED REPORTED NEGATIVE CONTACT VISUALLY OR BY RADAR. THE GOC CENTER IN BUFFALO, NY., REPORTED THE SAME OBJECTS AND THEIR REPORT INDICATED THAT THE OBJECTS WERE BRILLIANT WHITE LIGHTS ON THE WESTERN HORIZON WHICH GRADUALLY DISAPPEARED BELOW THE HORIZON. THE MILITARY WEATHER DETACHMENT AT NIAGARA FALLS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, NY., REPORTED OR PRESENT. ONE INTERESTING FACT FROM THE WEATHER REPORT WAS THE PRESENCE OF A CONTINENTAL POLAR AIR MASS THAT WAS COMPLETELY FREE OF ATMOSPHERIC HAZE, DUST, AND SMOKE. THIS UNUSUALLY CLEAR ATMOSPHERIC CONDITION MADE THE INTENSITY OF OBJECTS ON THE WESTERN HORIZON APPEAR EXTREMELY BRILLIANT. CLEAR DAYS IN THIS AREA ARE RARE DUE TO THE EVER PRESENT INDUSTRIAL SMOKE AND HAZE PREVALENT IN THIS AREA. CONSEQUENTLY THERE WERE A GREAT NUMBER OF SIGHTINGS OF STARS NOT NORMALLY SEEN. THE PRESENCE OF VENUS AND JUPITER IN THE SAME AREA OF THE SKY WAS DEFINITELY VERIFIED BY DR. JOYCE MILLS, ASTRONOMER, BUFFALO MUSEUM. THEODOLITE MEASUREMENTS OF THE POINT IN SPACE OF THE HORIZON WHERE THE OBJECTS DISAPPEARED CORRESPOND ACCURATELY WITH THE POINT IN OCCUPIED BY VENUS AND JUPITER AT THE TIME THE OBJECTS WERE SIGHTED.

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INTERVIEWS WITH THE TOWER OPERATORS MENTIONED IN THE PREVIOUS

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FM COMDR 47TH FTR INTCP SQ INA FLS MUNI APRT NY

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

RJEDWP/COMDR ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC

RJEDBW/COMDR 30TH AD D WILLOW RUN AFS BELLEVILLE MICH

INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ FIS 189. UFOB. REFERENCE OUR MSG FIS 188.

REFERENCED REPORT HAS FOLG EXPLANATION: THE OBJECTS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE PLANETS VENUS AND JUPITER. THEODOLITE

MEASUREMENTS OF THE POSITION OF THE TWO OBJECTS INDICATED THAT

THEIR POSITIONS OF THE TWO OBJECTS CORRESPONDED WITH THAT OF

THE TWO PLANETS MENTIONED ABOVE. INTERCEPT ACTION WAS TAKEN AND

THE INTERCEPTOR PILOTS REPORT INDICATED THAT THE OBJECTS WERE

STARS, DUE TO THE FACT THAT, AFTER 200 MILES OF PURSUIT AND

30000 FEET OF ALTITUDE CHANGE THE OBJECTS WERE STILL LOCATED AT

THE SAME AZIMUTH AND ELEVATION POSITION. THE LOCAL GCI SITE WAS

REPORT FURTHER INDICATES THE FACT THAT THE OBJECTS WERE THE
ABOVE MENTIONED CELESTIAL BODIES. THEY REPORTED THAT THE OBJECTS
LIKED LIKE STARS TO THEM.

SUMMARY: IT IS THE OPINION OF 1ST LT HERBERT D. DOKEY,
INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 47TH FTR INTCP SQ, NIAGARA FALLS MUNI APRT,
NY,. THAT THE OBJECTS MENTIONED IN THE PREVIOUS REPORT WERE
THE PLANETS VENUS AND JUPITER. ALL INFORMATION COLLECTED
POSITIVELY INDICATES THAT THE PLANETS WERE SEEN AND
EXPLANATION IS THE MOST LIKELY OF ALL OTHERS CONSIDERED. UFOB
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FM COMDR 47TH FTR INTCP SQ NIAGARA FALLS MUNI APRT NY

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UNCLASSIFIED/ FIS 188. UFOB. IAW PAR 7 D, AFR 200-2, DTD 12 AUG 54,

FOLG REPT IS SUBM:



- (A) SPHERICAL
- (B) SIZE OF A MATCHHEAD HELD AT ARMS LENGTH
- (C) BRILLIANT WHITE LIGHT CHANGING TO AMBER TO WHITE TO AMBER
- (D) TWO
- (E) ONE ABOVE AND TO THE LEFT OF OTHER
- (F) NONE
- (G) NONE
- (H) EXTREME BRILLIANCE OF WHITE/AMBER COLOR

(2)

- (A) ADVISED OF UFOB BY 47TH FIS, ALERT CENTER OPERATOR
- (B) 280 DEGREES AZIMUTH AND 5 TO 10 DEGREES ELEVATION
- (C) DISAPPEARED OVER HORIZON AT ZERO DEGREES ELEVATION
- (D) APPEARED TO BE GOING AWAY FROM POINT OF OBSERVATION
- (E) DISAPPEARED BELOW HORIZON
- (F) 10 MINUTES

(3)

- (A) GROUND-VISUAL AND AIR VISUAL
- (B) NONE USED
- (C) F-86L, USAF 30593, 38000 FEET, 300 DEGREES, POINT NINE MACH,
NIAGARA FALLS
S MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, NIAGARA FALLS NY

(4)

- (S) 0059 ZULU, 22 AUG 57 TO 0120 ZULU 22 AUG 57
- (B) NIGHT WITH VERY FAINT GLOW OF THE SUNSET IN WEST

(5) FROM VARIOUS POINTS ON NIAGARA FALLS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

(6) (A)

[REDACTED] 31, CAA CONTROL TOWER, NF MUNI APRT, TOWER
OPERATOR.

[REDACTED] UNK, CAA CONTROL TOWER, NF MUNI APRT TOWER OPERATOR
MR [REDACTED] UNK, [REDACTED] BUFFALO, NY, GOC OBSERVER
MR [REDACTED] UNK [REDACTED], BUFFALO, NY, GOC OBSERVER
MR [REDACTED] UNK, [REDACTED] NY, GOC OBSERVER

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(B)

H [REDACTED]	LT COL	47TH FIS	COMMANDER
F [REDACTED]	MAJOR	15TH FTR GP	D/M
[REDACTED]	CAPTAIN	47TH FIS	OPERATIONS OFFICER
[REDACTED]	1ST LT	47TH FIS	INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
[REDACTED]	1ST LT	15TH CAMRON	SUPPLY OFFICER
[REDACTED]	2ND LT	15TH FTR GP	LEGAL OFFICER
[REDACTED]	SPAAGT	OSI	SPECIAL AGENT
[REDACTED]	SSGT	15TH FTR GP	LEGAL OFFICE NCOIC
[REDACTED]	A/IC	47TH FIS	ALERT CENTER OPERATOR
[REDACTED]	1ST LT	47TH FIS	INTERCEPTOR PILOT

(7)

(A) CLEAR AND GOOD VISIBILITY

(B) SURFACE 090 DEGREES/21, 6000 - 020 DEGREES/13, 10000-350
DEGREES/10,

16000 - 350 DEGREES/10, 20000 - 010 DEGREES/37, 30000-350
DEGREES/37, 50000 - 280 DEGREES/30.

(C) CLEAR

(D) 10 NM

(E) NONE

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(F) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

NOTE: RELIABILITY OF WITNESSES LISTED ABOVE IS UNQUESTIONABLE.

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RJEDWP/ COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CEN WP AFB OHIO

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~~AFROT~~ AFROT-OT 080065 ATTN EADF-C/C UFOB

1. A. ROUND
2. B. ONE-TWICE AS BIG AS STAR, ONE-THREE TIMES AS BIG
- C. BRIGHT WHITE, CHANGING MOMENTARILY TO ORANGE
- D. TWO
- E. ONE SLIGHTLY HIGHER AND TO SOUTH OF OTHER
- F. NONE
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. VERY BRIGHT

Typical
interchange of
colors when
balloon observed
near dawn
or
dusk, as
given by hundreds
of reports

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2. A. PSITION (LOW) AND INTENSITY

B. 290 DEGREES AT 10 DEGREES TO 20 DEGREES ELEVATION

C. MOVED NORTHWEST AND CLOSED TOGETHER THEN MOVED
AWAY FROM OBSERVERS

E. DRP OPED BELOW HORIZON

G. 15 TO 30 MINUTS

3. A. GROUND VISUAL AND AIR VISUAL

B. BINOCULARS 7X50

C. F86L, BUCKET 29. CLIMBED TO 38000 FEET 300 400K NIAGARA FALLS AFB

4. A. 0053Z 22 AUG 57

B. DUSK

5. 143 08' WIZ NORTH 78 ROJ RWZ WEST

6. A. NA

B. [REDACTED] 2/LT

763D ACWRON SR. DIRECTOR VERY RELIABLE

[REDACTED] 1/S LT

" DUTY DIRECTOR

[REDACTED] SSGT

" CREW CHEIF

[REDACTED] SSGT

/" WIRE MAINT NCOIC

[REDACTED] A/2C

" CONTROL TECH

[REDACTED], R. A/3C

" M. I. TECH

W [REDACTED] A/2C

" RADAR MAINT

[REDACTED] A/2C

" RADAR MAINT

[REDACTED] A/2C

" RADAR MAINT

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- 7. A. CLEAR
- B. CALM
- C. Ø
- D. 10 MILES
- F. NONE
- G. NONE

8. A. COMET ALSO SIGHTED AT SAME TIME

9. 1F86L, COULD NOT CLOSE ON OBJECT

10. NONE

11. SR. DIRECTOR, PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF GOC REPORT, WX BALOON,
AFTER SIGHTING MYSELF, ANALYSIS AS UROB

12. NONE

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23/0500Z AUG RJEDBW

*position of comet near NW
at this time - but too faint
for naked eye. O.K. with
binoculars.*

Good!
They must have read
the mandatory paragraph
of the new 200-2, that
proposes and reporting
officers must make their
preliminary investigation.