

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 August 1958		2. LOCATION Rapid City, South Dakota		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 04/1624Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military & Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-10 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE South	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round or disc shaped obj, size of basketball, white. One observer rptd halo effect surrounding obj. Obj traveled straight & level & disappeared instantaneously to south.				11. COMMENTS Possibly turning a/c with sun in proper position to highlight maneuver.	

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FM COMBOMWG 28

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RJEPHQ/ASST CHIEF OF STAFF INTELL WASH DC

RJEDPHQ/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES HQ USAF

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UNCLAS DOI 8-13844 SUBJECT: UFO. IN COMPLIANCE WITH AIR FORCE
REGULATION 210-2, DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1958, AS AMENDED THE
FOLLOWING UFO REPORT IS SUBMITTED:

A. DESCRIPTION:

- (1) THREE OBSERVERS REPORTED ROUND, TWO REPORTED DISC SHAPE.
- (2) SIZE OF BASKETBALL HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.
- (3) WHITE
- (4) ONE
- (5) N/A
- (6) NONE

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(7) ONE OBSERVER REPORTED HALO EFFECT SURROUNDING OBJECT. NO OTHER
TAIL, TRAIL OR EXHAUST.

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. COURSE.

(1) WATCHING AIRCRAFT AND OBJECT CROSSED FIELD OF VISION.

(2) APPROXIMATELY FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREES/APPROX ZERO () DEGREES. ^{North}

(3) APPROXIMATELY THIRTY (30) DEGREES/APPROX ONE NINE ZERO (190) DEGREES. ^{South}

(4) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL

(5) INSTANTANEOUS TO SOUTH

(6) FIVE TO TEN SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION.

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE.

(1) 041624Z AUG 58 0624-07 = ~~0624~~ 0974

(2) DAY

5. 44 DEGREES 05 MINS 34 SECONDS N, 103 DEGREES 12 MINS 51 SECS W

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DOWN TOWN RAPID CITY

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F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS.

(1) [REDACTED], 37, [REDACTED] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH

MRS [REDACTED] 34, [REDACTED] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH
DAKOTA, HOUSEWIFE.

[REDACTED] 29, [REDACTED] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH
DAKOTA, HOUSEWIFE.

[REDACTED], (12), [REDACTED] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, N/A.

(2) [REDACTED], CAPTAIN, 77TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, ELLSWORTH
AFB, SOUTH DAKOTA; ELECTRONIC COUNTERMEASURES OPERATOR, COMPLETELY
RELIABLE?

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT.

(1) CAVU. 0 CLOUDS IN SIGHT

(2) SURFACE-^N350/⁽¹⁰⁾ 6000-^{NNW}340/⁽¹¹⁾ 10,000-^N250/⁽¹⁷⁾ 16,000-^W270/⁽³⁷⁾
20,000-^W270/33; 30,000-^{WSW}250, 67; 50,000-^{WSW}250/36; 80,000-^E100/18.

(2) UNLIMITED

(4) 40 MILES

(5) ZERO

(6) NONE

H. NONE

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I. 740TH AC&W, LOCAL CONTROL TOWER AND 54TH FIS QUERIED RELATIVE
TO SIGHTING. NEGATIVE RESULTS EXCEPT AS INDICATED IN PAR-
GRAPH (J) BELOW.

J. SIX AIRCRAFT FLYING IN LOCAL AREA-NO FIGHTERS, ALTITUDE UNKNOWN,
V VARIOUS DIRECTIONS.

K. ACTING CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, 28TH BOMBARDMENT WING. WAS
NOTIFIED OF REPORT AND IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED ALL OBSERVERS.

ALL OBSERVERS PRESENT IN ONE GROUP AT TIME OF SIGHTING. ALTHOUGH

IT WAS NOT SO STATED, IT WAS APPARENT THAT [REDACTED] HAD
CAUTIONED ALL OBSERVERS TO NOTE DETAILS CAREFULLY. THEY WERE AWARE
THAT AIRCRAFT WERE FLYING IN THE AREA AT THE TIME BUT ARE
CONVINCED THAT THE OBJECT WAS NOT AN AIRCRAFT. ALL STATED THEY
WERE UNABLE TO NOTE MANY DETAILS DUE TO EXTREME SPEED,
ESTIMATED BY [REDACTED] AT APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND KNOTS.
HE BELIEVES THE OBJECT WAS APPROXIMATELY ONE FOURTH MILE DISTANT
AT APPROXIMATELY THREE THOUSAND FEET ALTITUDE. ALL OBSERVERS
WERE SINCERE AND HIGHLY IMPRESSED WITH SIGHTING. ALL HAD
HESITATED TO REPORT SIGHTING FOR FEAR OF RIDICULE. WEATHER
BALLON HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AT APPROXIMATELY

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THE SAME TIME OF SIGHTING BUT DIRECTION FROM OBSERVATION POINT WAS
NOT INCONSONANCE WITH DIRECTION OF FIRST SIGHTING AS REPORTED BY
[REDACTED] WHO HAS HAD NAVIGATION TRAINING AND IS TRAINED
COMBAT CREW MEMBER. SIGHTING POSSIBLY CAUSED BY TURNING AIRCRAFT
WHICH WAS AT GREATER DISTANCE THAN ESTIMATED BY OBSERVERS. SUN
WAS IN PROPER POSITION TO HIGHLIGHT BANKING AIRCRAFT EAST OF
OBSERVERS AS THE OBJECT WAS REPORTED TO BE.

L. NONE

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