

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>12 August 1958</u>		2. LOCATION <u>Near Beebeetown, Iowa</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0330</u> GMT <u>12/0930Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>Civilian, multiple</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>less than 1 min</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>		9. COURSE <u>not given</u>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, white light, compared to size of rising sun. Observer awakened by a light on bedroom wall similar to that caused by headlights of auto turning in driveway. Three other persons sighted bluish-white to green obj in same area.				11. COMMENTS <u>Probability of a meteor.</u>	

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(SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

INSUFF INFO (PENDING INVEST. BY RUC)

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN <i>Mutt</i>	REPORT NO. SAC-DIE-IR-58-1	(Leave blank) 40
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
AREA REPORT CONCERNS Omaha Nebraska, USA		
AGENCY OF ORIGIN D/Intelligence, Hq SAC	DATE OF REPORT 18 Aug 58	
SOURCE OF INFORMATION Major H.W. Robson 544 RTG	DATE OF INFORMATION 12 Aug 58	
PREPARING OFFICER Major H.P. Smith	EVALUATION	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2, 5 Feb 58		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object, Omaha, Nebraska Area		
SUMMARY (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112a.) Several persons in the Omaha and Lincoln, Nebraska areas reported observations of an intense light in the form of a flash, then a glowing green object traveling in a northerly direction during the early morning hours of 12 Aug 58. (U) No evaluation attempted, although the probability of a meteorite exists. <i>Howard P. Smith Jr.</i> HOWARD P. SMITH, JR. Major, USAF Chief, Capabilities Branch APPROVED: <i>Wm Shelton</i> W.M. SHELTON Colonel, USAF Chief, Air Estimates Division Classification Cancelled OR Changed to <u>UNCL</u> Auth: <u>AFR 205-10</u> <u>PAEA 2-176 (16)</u> By <i>H. Quantrell</i> 3 <u>encs.</u> 1. DD 96, 544 RTG, 2 cys 2. Cy of clipping, Omaha World Herald, 2 cys 3. Cy of Zippe 68-055/M-12, 96 Bomb Wg, Lincoln AFB, Nebr, 2 cys If inclosure No. <u>1</u> is withdrawn (or not attached) the classification of this correspondence will be downgraded to <u>Unclass</u> in accordance with AFR 205-10		

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

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TO D/I, SAC
ATTN: DIEC

FROM Comdr, 544th RTG

DATE 12 Aug 58 ^{KWR} COMMENT NO. 1
RTGI/Maj Robson/jel/25248

1. IAW par 15, AFR 200-2, the following pertains to a report of an Unidentified Flying Object received by Major Herbert W Robson, extension 25248, of this organization:

a. Description of object:

- (1) Round
- (2) Compared to size of rising sun at estimated distance of 1/4 mile
- (3) White Light
- (4) One
- (5) Not applicable
- (6) None reported
- (7) None reported
- (8) None reported
- (9) None

IMPOSSIBLE

NOTE:
VERY SINISTER!!

b. Description of course:

- (1) Observer was awakened by a light on bedroom wall similar to that caused by headlights of automobile turning in driveway.
- (2) Horizontal - just above tops of corn in field. } elevations
- (3) Same as (2) above. } AZIMUTHS
- (4) In horizontal motion throughout sighting. IN WHAT DIRECTION
- (5) Moved behind terrain. did obj. move?
- (6) Sighted continuously for less than one minute.

c. Manner of observation:

- (1) Ground - visual.
- (2) No optical aids.
- (3) Not applicable.

How long?
1 sec., 2 sec., 3 sec., etc?

d. Time and date of sighting:

- (1) 0330, 12 August - local time. ~~0330-0~~ = 2730
- (2) Night.

e. Observer lives on a farm near Bebetown, Iowa. Place can be reached by traveling ~~_____~~

FROM Council Bluffs

f. Identifying information on observer:

- (1) Civilian ~~_____~~ wife of farmer, Bebetown, Iowa. Telephone: ~~_____~~

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REPLACES NME FORM 96, 1 OCT 46, WHICH MAY BE USED.

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D/F, RTGI, 544RTG, 12 Aug 58, Subj: U F O

g. Weather - unknown.

h. General: Observer awakened husband, but object was gone before he could see it. Observer waited for public news regarding object - but heard none by time she reported it to the Air Force at 0850 hours local. She knows of no other witnesses. Mr. [REDACTED] commenced report then gave telephone to wife for details. Both parties were coherent, cooperative, and concerned regarding value of information to the Air Force. Telephone obviously was being monitored on rural party line. No attempt was made to withhold names; on location investigation was solicited.

CHF, CC

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Cyrille C. Raymond
CYRILLE C RAYMOND, Major, USAF
Director of Administrative Services

1. The observer compares the size of the object to that of the rising sun at 1/4 mile distance. If this was true, everyone in the surrounding country would have seen it and reported it.
2. There are no elevations, azimuths or directions of travel given.
3. ~~the~~ Object was seen "less than one minute"

*Insuff Info
pending further data*

Omaha World Herald
13 August 1958

**Glowing Light in Night Sky
Definitely Wasn't Satellite**

A Lincoln resident and two Omahans reported seeing an unusual bright light in the sky about 3:30 a.m. Tuesday.

No explanation was apparent immediately. "It could not have been a satellite," said Lynn Anspaugh, acting observer in charge of the Moonwatch station at Nebraska Wesleyan University at Lincoln.

The only remaining Russian satellite in the sky passed over the Lincoln area about 11 p.m. The American Explorer is passing over the area during the day, is not visible to ground observers, he said.

The Sputnik III will pass just west of Lincoln at 10:39 p.m. Wednesday and about 10:24 Thursday, he added.

Tuesday's reports came from:

— [redacted], Wesleyan watchman, who said he saw the object traveling southwest at 3:28 a.m. He said it was "a bluish white, intensely brilliant oval with a very short yellow-red tail, appearing to be about half the size of the moon."

— [redacted], who was reporting to work at the City Market, 511 South Eleventh Street, at about 3:30 a.m. He called it "a blue flame as big as a basket ball, traveling straight west."

— Mrs. [redacted], who happened to be awake and glanced out a window about 3:25 or 3:30. She said she the impression of a "flash," then a glowing green object traveling north, then turning west. "It was bigger than a star," she said.

Sheet 1'

X ← POINT X

A

B

↓

center

BEEBETOWN

X ← POINT Z

Grave of Mrs. J. J. J.

North

mi E. of Beebetown

A. + B on hill about 50' in front of

'C' is above area known as the 2nd

X to Z

believed to be the same as

the 2nd

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4E4

Capt Gregory

**1006TH AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON
United States Air Force
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado**

25 SEP 1958

AIHOP

SUBJECT: UFO Incident in Lincoln and Omaha, Nebraska

**TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
ATTN: AFCIN 4E4
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio**

1. Reference message from AFCIN-4E4 9-1994-E, 02/1616Z Sep 58.
2. M/Sgt Jerrol R. Clark, AF 16003981, of Detachment 2, 1006th AISS, Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base, Missouri investigated this incident 4 Sep 58 with the following results:
 - a. The Source, Mrs. [REDACTED] who formerly resided near Beebeetown, Iowa, has subsequently moved to [REDACTED] Street, Golden, Colorado, phone [REDACTED] and was not interviewed. Her daughter, living in Beebeetown, was interviewed but could add little to what was already known. Residents of Beebeetown who were contacted had no knowledge of the object nor had they heard that one had been sighted.
 - b. Local residents spoke highly of Mrs. [REDACTED] and were all of the opinion that she was a level-headed person and not of an excitable nature. The police of Missouri Valley, Iowa, about 7 miles Northwest of Beebeetown, had no knowledge of the sighting, nor did they know the Source.
 - c. The attached sketch, inclosure 1, shows roughly the general area of Beebeetown. According to Source's daughter, Mrs. Hiller was not awakened by the light as the TMI states, but rather that she was unable to sleep and was sitting up in bed when she first noticed the light at point "X". It (the light) proceeded to point "Z" along the top of the hill "B" at a supposedly low altitude on a general Northeast to Southwest course. The interviewer could not ascertain if a sound accompanied the light nor if it actually disappeared behind the trees or disappeared in the distance.
3. Attached as inclosure 2 is a report of weather conditions at Offutt AFB on 12 August 1958.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

- 2 Incls**
1. Sketch of sighting Area
 2. Weather Rpt, Offutt AFB

R. Walter Zealand
**R. WALTER ZEALAND
Major, USAF
Administrative Officer**

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DETACHMENT 2
3rd Weather Wing
United States Air Force
Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska

05 September 1958

SUBJECT: Weather and Winds for Offutt AFB on 12 August 58

TO: Commander
Det 2, 1006th Air Intelligence Service Sq.
Richards-Gebaur AFB, Mo.

1. The weather at Offutt AFB at 0330C 12 Aug 58 was as follows:

0326C Clear, Visibility 4 miles with ground fog and smoke,

0341C Clear, Visibility 4 miles with ground fog and smoke

There were no thunderstorms in the area at this time.

2. The winds aloft for this period are indicated below at
0600Z and 1200Z for the heights requested:

0600Z Winds Aloft

6000' 340/10

10000' 310/06

16000' 300/14

20000' 350/23

23000' 340/15

1200Z Winds Aloft

6000' 330/09

10000' 010/19

16000' 320/24

20000' 330/20

30000' 340/42

50000' 320/21

80000' 010/12

William C. Meyers
WILLIAM C. MEYERS
Major, USAF
Detachment Commander

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INFO: COMDR, DET 2, 1006TH AIBS, RICHMOND - GEBRUR AFB, MO							
/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: AFCIN-4E4							
REF SAC-DIE-IR-58-1 DTD 13 AUG 58 AND DD96, DTD 12 AUG 58, REPORTING UFO INCIDENTS IN LINCOLN AND OMAHA, NEB AREA. RE: PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO OBTAIN MORE DATA. BRIEFLY: A ROUND WHITE LIGHT, SIZE OF RISING SUN AT 1/2 MI, SHONE THROUGH OBSERVER'S BEDROOM WINDOW AT 0930Z, 12 AUG 58, AWAKENING HER. OBSERVER STATES OBJECT MOVED HORIZONTALLY, BUT DIDN'T STATE IN WHAT DIRECTION. OBJECT WAS SIGHTED FOR LESS THAN ONE MINUTE, THEN MOVED BEHIND TERRAIN. MAJ HERBERT W. ROBSON OF THE 544TH RTG OFFUTT AFB, RECEIVED THE ORIGINAL RPT. THE OBSERVER WAS MRS [REDACTED] WHO RESIDES NEAR BERTTOWN, IOWA, TELE NO [REDACTED] COORDINATION: AFCIN-4E4 <u>Glaser</u> DATE <u>29 AUG 58</u> AFCIN-4E <u>Gilbert</u> DATE <u>29/58</u>							
SYMBOL AFCIN-4E4				SIGNATURE <i>Mary C. Markevich</i>			
TYPED NAME AND TITLE T/3Lt James O. Bolieu				TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE			
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