

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 May 59		2. LOCATION 4 Mi W of Greenbush, Kansas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Poss Ball Lightning ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 18/0830Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 mins		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE NW & SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Ball which looked hot & bubbling, orange turning to red. Looked like a quarter of a moon too low in the sky - tree top level. Obj stopped in the air & descended vertically on the ground, remained 3 or 4 mins changing fm orange to red, then rose vertically in a NW direction, then turned SW and disappeared fm view.				11. COMMENTS Possibly static electricity caused by thunderstorm activity in the SE portion of Kansas.	

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE
INCOMING

18 MAY 59

UFO sighting

SMD C 326

ZCZCHQD001ZCWJB602

PP RJEZHQ

DE RJWFKG 40

P 202020Z

FM COMDR MCCONNELL AFB KANS

TO RJWFKF/COMDR 20 -S8; (DEF)

RJEDSQ/COOMMMMMMMMDR AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER

RJEZHQ/ASST CHF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF

RJEZHQ/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES HQ USAF

RJWFAL/COMDR 1006 AISS ENT AFB

BT

UNCLAS FROM DCOI 4059.

SUBJECT: UFO

A. (1) BALL

(2) DITCH TO DITCH OF A TWO-LANE ROAD, APPROXIMATELY 30 FT WIDE.

(3) ORANGE TURNING TO RED

(4) ONE

(5) N/A.

(6) BALL LOOKED HOT AND BUBBLING.

(7) N/A

(8) NO SOUND

AF IN: 8794 (20 May 59) Page 1 of 3 Pages

SAFS

PAGE TWO RJWFKG 40

(9) N/A

B. (1) LOOKED LIKE A QUARTER OF A MOON TOO LOW IN THE SKY.

(2) TREE TOP LEVEL.

(3) TREE TOP LEVEL.

(4) TRAVELED DUE WEST WHILE OBSERVER WAS TRAVELLING IN HIS CAR WEST ON KANSAS HIGHWAY 57 AT A SPEED OF 75-80 MPH. OBSERVER STOPPED HIS CAR. UFO STOPPED IN THE AIR 25 YARDS IN FRONT OF OBEERVERS CAR AND DESCENDED VERTICALLY ON THE GROUND. UFO REMAINED THREE OR FOUR MINUTES, MEANWHILE CHANGED FROM ORANGE TO RED COLOR, AND ROSE VERTICALLY TO AN ALTITUDE OF TEN TO FIFTEEN FEET. UFO HEADED IN A NORTHWEST DIRECTION AND TURNED TO A SOUTHWEST DIRECTION AT 30 FEET HEIGHT AND DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW.

(5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO THE SOUTHWEST.

(6) FOUR MINUTES

C. (1) GROUND - VISUAL.

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

D. (1) 0830Z/18 MAY 59.

(2) NIGHT

E. 37-30-30N, 95-04-30W, 4 MILES WEST OF GREENBUSH, KANSAS ON

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE
I-N-C-O-M-I-N-G

PAGE THREE RJWFKG 40

KANSAS HIGHWAY 57.

F. (1) [REDACTED] 33, [REDACTED],
ELDORADO, KANSAS, TRUCK DRIVER.

G. (1) CLOUDY WITH CLEAR GROUND VISIBILITY.

(2) NNE AT 6, SURFACE, SOUTH AT 25 AT 1000 FEET AT CHANUTE
KANSAS, 25 MILES NORTHWEST.

(3) 12,000 FEET REPORTED AT CHANUTE, KANSAS

(4) 15 MILES REPORTED AT CHANUTE, KANSAS

(5) BROKEN TO OVERCAST AT CHANUTE, KANSAS

(6) CHANUTE, KANSAS REPORTED OCCASIONAL LIGHTNING IN CLOUDS
DISTANT NORTHEAST.

H. N/A

I. N/A

J. N/A

K. CHIEF, TARGET MATERIALS BRANCE,
STATIC ELECTRICITY CAUSED BY THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY IN THE
SOUTHEAST PORTION OF KANSAS.

L. N/A.

BT

20/2040Z MAY RJWFKG

ACTION: CIN

INFO : OOP, SAFS

AF IN : 8794 (20 May 59)

Page 3 of 3 Pages

F/wmd