

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 Jun 60		2. LOCATION 20 mi S of Battle Creek, Michigan		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 26/2130Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS three		9. COURSE S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Three box-like objects without sharp corners, silvery reflecting the sunlight, evenly spaced in line approx two miles apart. Objects moved straight and level at a very slow rate of speed until out of sight.				11. COMMENTS One witness identified the objects as helicopters. The images on the film could not be identified, and efforts to determine if helicopters were in the area met with failure. However, based on the information provided, the objects of this sighting were probably helicopters.	

This case includes five (5) 8" x 10"
photographs and one (1) 5½" x 3¾"
negative.

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/UNCLASS/DAOIO 2343.

FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. SUBJECT: UFO.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECTS:

- (1) BOXLIKE WITHOUT SHARP CORNERS
- (2) PENCIL ERASURE
- (3) SILVERY-REFLECTED THE SUNLIGHT
- (4) THREE
- (5) IN LINE, EVENLY SPACED, APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES APART
- (6) NONE

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(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS

(1) CASUALLY LOOKED UP

(2) FIFTY DEGREES ELEVATION FROM OBSERVER

(3) THIRTY TO THIRTY-FIVE DEGREES.

(4) OBJECTS WERE HEADING IN SOUTHERLY DIRECTION DURING ENTIRE SIGHTING. THEY MOVED STRAIGHT AND LEVEL AT A VERY SLOW RATE OF SPEED UNTIL OUT OF SIGHT OF OBSERVER.

(5) GRADUALLY TO THE SOUTH.

(6) APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND - VISUAL.

(2) NO OPTICAL AIDS.

(3) N/A.

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING.

(1) 26/2130Z JUNE 1962.

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(2) DUSK.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: IN A BOAT ON TURTLE
LAKE, TWENTY MILES SOUTH OF BATTLE CREEK.

MICHIGAN, TWO MILES NORTH OF UNION CITY, MICHIGAN.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVED:

(1) [REDACTED] STREET,
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN, MECHANIC [REDACTED]
COMPANY [REDACTED] STREET,
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN, MECHANIC AT [REDACTED]
COMPANY.

(2) N/A.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS - ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME
AND PLACE OF SIGHTING:

(1) FEW HIGH SCATTERED CLOUDS.

(2) 6300' - 180/20

10,000' - 230/20

15,000' - 280/15

20,000' - 295/20

30,000' - 310/35

50,000' - 320/50

80,000' - N/A

(3) UNLIMITED

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(4) PLUS FIFTEEN MILES.

(5) VERY HIGH, WIDELY SCATTERED.

(6) NONE.

H. NONE.

I. NONE.

J. NONE THAT CAN BE DETERMINED.

K. (1) MSGT HUNTER W. CROWDER, NCOIC, INTELLIGENCE
DIVISION, DETROIT AIR DEFENSE SECTOR, BATTLE CREEK.
MICHIGAN

(2) IT IS THE OPINION OF THE INVESTIGATOR THAT THE
OBJECTS WERE HELICOPTORS. THIS IS BASED ON THE FACTS
IN THIS REPORT AND ON THE INTERVIEW WITH THE SECOND
OBSERVER, [REDACTED], WHO WAS CONVINCED THEY WERE
HELICOPTORS, ALTHOUGH THERE WAS NO NOISE.

L. NINE FRAMES OF 8 MM MOVIE FILM WHICH OBSERVER
TOOK DURING THE SIGHTING. THE FILM SHOWS ONLY ONE
OBJECT AT A TIME. ALL OBJECTS APPEARED INDENTICALLY
ON THE FILM.

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FROM: ATIC, W-P AFB						SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS			
TO: CUSTER AF STN MICH R JEDBW									
/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: 8- 2384-LE DETROIT ADS, YOUR MSG DAOIO 2343, DTD 18 JULY 60. REQ YOUR ORGANIZATION ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF THERE WERE ACFT OVER TURTLE LAKE AREA, WHAT TYPE, THEIR ALTITUDE, AND THEIR HEADING.									
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SYMBOL AFCIN-4E2x TYPED (Signature, if required) Major Robert J. Friend MS PHONE 69216 PAGE NR. 1 NR. OF PAGES 1 SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED				SIGNATURE Philip G. Evans TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE PHILIP G. EVANS Colonel, USAF Deputy for Science and Components					

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TO ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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UNCLAS DAOIO 2535. FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. REFERENCE YOUR

MSG 042043Z. INQUIRY AS TO ACFT OVER TURTLE LAKE AREA, 26 JUNE

2130Z. RESULTS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTOR FIGHTERS - NEGATIVE

DETROIT AADCP - NEGATIVE

CLEVELAND AADCP - NEGATIVE

TAPE CHECK IMPOSSIBLE AS TAPES ARE ERASED, UNLESS SPECIAL HOLD

IS PLACED ON THEM. UFOB REPORT DID NOT COME BEFORE ERASURE.

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DETROIT AIR DEFENSE SECTOR (ADC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
CUSTER AIR FORCE STATION
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN

REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

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19 JUL 1960

SUBJECT:

Evidence of UFOB Report

TO:

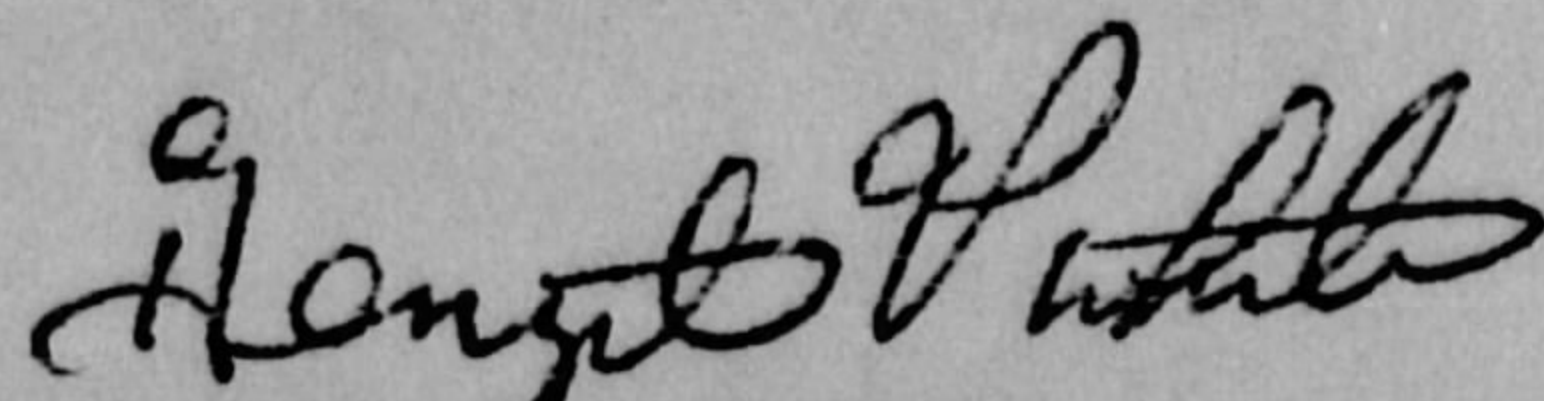
Air Technical Intelligence Center (AFCIN-4E4g)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

INFO: 30 Air Division (OIN)
Truax Field, Wisconsin

1. Attached hereto is photographic evidence to accompany DAOIO message 2343, this headquarters dated 18 July 1960 concerning Unidentified Flying Object Report of observers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

2. Photographic aid used by observer was an 8mm Revere eye-matic movie camera with 32.5mm, F1.8 telescopic lens of Wollensak manufacture. There were no filters or tripods in use. Type of film was Kodachrome Type A daylight film. Panning was employed and camera was pointed easterly at approximately 50 degrees elevation from the earth.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



DENZIL V. WHITE

Major, USAF

Asst. Dir. of Administrative Services

1 Atch

35mm slide mount (1 cy)

UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

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Location 20 miles S. of Battle Creek, Michigan

Date 26 June 1960

Hour (Z) 2130Z

WX High scattered clouds, vis 15 $\frac{1}{2}$, winds westerly at 15 to 50 knots

Description Box shaped, size of pencil erasure, silvery-reflected sunlight, three objects in line formation approx 2 miles apart, first seen 50 deg elev, last seen 30 to 35 deg elev, moved at very slow rate of speed in a straight and level path, seen for about 5 minutes

Direction of Motion South

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) Duration excessive, and could not be seen this time of day

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) Too slow for meteor, too fast for planet

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) None

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) -----

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. POSSIBLY HELICOPTORS

Other _____

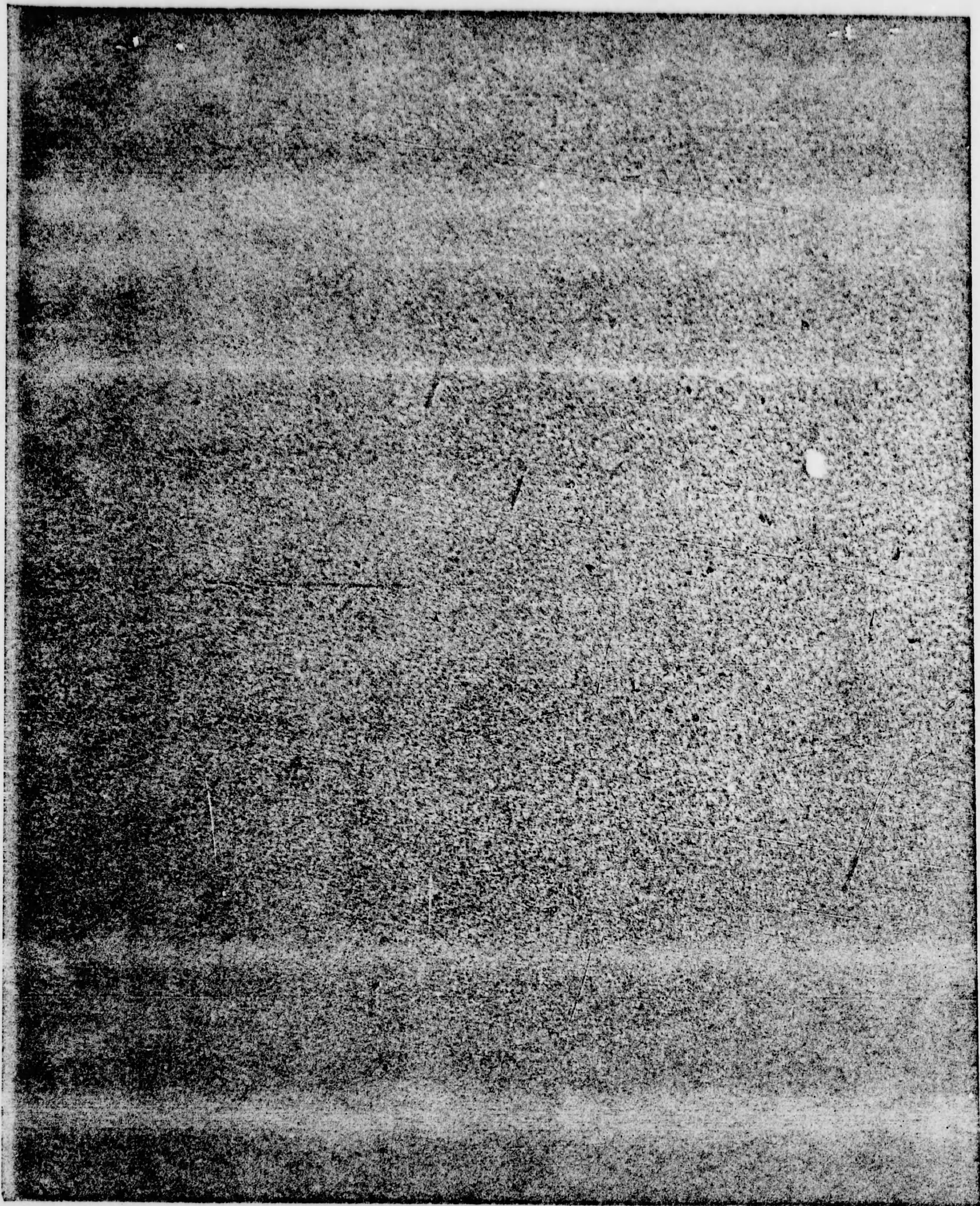
Evaluation of Source Reliability UNKNOWN

Analysis and Conclusions: ONE WITNESS IDENTIFIED THE OBJECTS AS PROBABLY HELICOPTORS. THE OBJECTS WERE IN SIGHT APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES AND DURING THIS PERIOD MOVED OVER CONSIDERABLE ANGULAR DISTANCE. THE ABSENCE OF SOUND IS DUE TO DISTANCE AND WIND DIRECTION, WHICH WAS GENERALLY FROM THE WITNESSES AND TOWARD THE OBJECT. THE IMAGES ON THE 8MM FILM COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED AND EFFORTS TO DETERMINE IF HELICOPTORS WERE IN THE AREA (OVER)

MET WITH FAILURE. THE OBJECTS, BASED ON THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE WITNESSES, COULD POSSIBLY BE HELICOPTERS.

IT IS CONCLUDED THAT THE OBJECTS OF THIS SIGHTING WERE PROBABLY HELICOPTERS.

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26 June 1960

Butte Creek, Mich

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