

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 May 64		2. LOCATION Cannon AFB, New Mexico		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Venus ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 05/0430Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION 7 x 50 BX ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 minutes plus		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE stationary	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round obj solid orange or yellow first observed at 45 deg elevation 270 az. Straight flight parallel to horizon. 2nd witness described obj as stationary. Disappeared by fading. In sight for 5 min. Four sightings about 30 minutes apart. Also sighted at Clovis, New Mexico. Additional reports in area. No visible to a/c in area. Flight reported as East in some reports. Elevations reported between 45 and 15 degrees.				11. COMMENTS VENUS	

UP AND DOWN SLIGHTLY.

(5) HOW DID OBJECT DISAPPEAR? JUST FADED OUT.

(6) HOW LONG WAS OBJECT VISIBLE? TWO MINUTES.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) ZULU TIME-DATE GROUP OF SIGHTING: 0500Z, 05 MAY 64

(2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: 034DEG 25' N, 103DEG 05' W. CLOVIS
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, NMEX.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, 23, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ DRIVE, CLOVIS, NMEX.,
STATION AGENT, TRANS-TEXAS AIRWAYS.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT:

(1) OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT OF THE WEATHER: 20,000 BROKEN
15 MILE VISIBILITY.

(2) WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT

WIND DIRECTION	VELOCITY	ALTITUDES
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200DEG	20KTS	6,000
210DEG	40KTS	10,000
240DEG	55KTS	16,000
240DEG	75KTS	20,000
240DEG	80KTS	30,000
260DEG	60KTS	50,000

(3) 21,000' CEILING

(4) 15 MI. VISIBILITY

(5) CIRRUS OVERCAST

(6) NONE

(7) 1DEG INVERSION AT 13,000', 2DEG INVERSION AT 21,000'

H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY: NONE

I. NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION WAS TAKEN.

J. THE FAA IN ALBUQUERQUE WAS CONTACTED AND SAID THE ONLY KNOWN AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA AT THIS TIME WAS TRANS-TEXAS FLIGHT NO. 196. 2040TH COMMUNICATIONS SQ. (RAPCON) SAID ONLY AIRCRAFT DETECTED WAS TRANS-TEXAS FLIGHT NO. 196 WHICH LANDED AT CLOVIS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT. BASE CONTROL TOWER OF NO AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA OTHER THAN TRANS-TEXAS FLIGHT NO. 196. THE POLICE,

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STATE POLICE, AND SHERIFF'S OFFICERS IN CLOVIS AND SURROUNDING
AREAS WERE CONTACTED AS TO ANY REPORTS IN THEIR AREA. ALL WERE
NEGATIVE.

K.HPOSITION, TITLE AND COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

THOMAS E. LOWE, 2ND LT., INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 27TH TFW
COMMENTS: THE FOUR SIGHTINGS OF AN OBJECT OCCURRED APPROXIMATELY
30 MINUTES APART AND VARIED IN ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH. IF THESE
WERE THE SAME OBJECT, IT WAS TRAVELLING IN AN EASTWARD DIRECTION
AND IN A DESCENDING ARCH. OBSERVER'S AT CLOVIS MUNICIPAL AIR-

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PORT FIRST THOUGHT OBJECT WAS AIRCRAFT ON FINAL APPROACH WITH LANDING LIGHTS ON. DIFFERENCES IN SIZE ESTIMATION COULD HAVE BEEN CAUSED FROM THE FACT THAT IT OCCURRED AT NIGHT WITH NO VISIBLE REFERENCES TO GAUGE THE DISTANCE AND SIZE CORRECTLY. THIS OBJECT COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN A SATELLITE REENTERING THE ATMOSPHERE; OR A METEORITE. SINCE THE OBJECT DID NOT MOVE AT A RAPID RATE THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT IT MAY HAVE BEEN A WEATHER BALLOON. NEITHER CAN BE PROVEN BECAUSE NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE HAS BEEN FOUND, AND THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS OF ANYTHING FALLING.

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UFO REPORT FOR 832D ADIV, CANNON AFB, NMEX. THIS MSG IN FOUR PARTS.

PART I. HOBSEVER NO. 1:

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

(1) SHAPE: ROUND

(2) SIZE: ABOUT SIZE OF A DIME AT ARMS LENGTH.

(3) COLOR: SOLID ORANGE/YELLOW

(4) NUMBER: ONE

(5) FORMATION: N/A

(6) DISCERNIBLE FEATURES: NONE

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(7) TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST: NONE

(8) SOUND: NONE

(9) OTHER PERTINENT FEATURES: NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) WHAT CALLED ATTENTION OF OBSERVER TO THE OBJECT?

FELLOW WORKER TSGT BILLY N. DEES CALLED IT TO HIS ATTENTION.

(2) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT WHEN FIRST OBSERVED: ABOUT 45HDEG AT 270 DEG.

(3) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH UPON DISAPPEARANCE: NOT OBSERVED -- WORK INTERRUPTED VISUAL FOLLOWING OF THE OBJECT.

(4) DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH: STRAIGHT LINE OF FLIGHT WITH HORIZON.

(5) HOW DID OBJECT DISAPPEAR: NOT OBSERVED.

(6) HOW LONG WAS OBJECT VISIBLE? APPROX. 30 TO 45 SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND VISUAL.

(2) BINOCULARS - 7 X 50 POWER

(3) HN/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) ZULU-TIME-DATE GROUP OF SIGHTING: 0430Z, 05 MAY 64.

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(2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: 039 DEG 36' N., 103 DEG 19' W., CANNON
AFB, NMEX. CONTROL TOWER

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) N/A

(2) ROBERT G. BUDLONG, A2C, 2040TH COMM. SQ., CONTROL
TOWER OPERATOR. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: RELIABLE.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT:

(1) OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT OF WEATHER CONDITIONS: 25,000 FT.
OVERCAST.

PART II. HOBSERVER NO. 2

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

(1) SHAPE: HOVAL LIKE A FOOTBALL.

(2) SIZE: SIZE OF DIME AT ARMS LENGTH.

(3) COLOR: WHITE

(4) NUMBER: NONE

(5) FORMATION: N/A

(6) DESCERNIBLE FEATURES: NONE

(7) HTAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST: NONE

(8) SOUND: NONE

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(9) OTHER PERTINENT FEATURES: N/A

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) WHAT FIRST CALLED THE ATTENTION OF OBSERVER?

OBSERVER WAS FIRST TO SPOT OBJECT.

(2) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT WHEN FIRST
OBSERVED: H45 DEG ELEVATION, 270 DEG AZIMUTH

(3) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT UPON
DISAPPEARANCE: 30 DEG ELEVATION, 270 DEG AZIMUTH

(4) DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH: STATIONARY

(5) HOW DID THE OBJECT DISAPPEAR? FADED OUT

(6) HOW LONG WAS OBJECT VISIBLE? FIRST OBSERVATION WAS
APPROX. FIVE MINUTES. REAPPEARED TWO MINUTES LATER AND OBSERVATION
WAS DIVERTED DUE TO NORMAL WORK.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) BINOCULARS - 7 X 50 POWER

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) ZULU TIME-DATE OF SIGHTING: 0435Z, 05 MAY 64.

H (2) NIGHT

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E. HLOCATION OF OBSERVER: 34 DEG 36' N, 103DEG 19' W. CANNON AFB
NMEX, CONTROL TOWER.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) HN/A

(2) BILLY N. DEES, TSGT, 2040TH COMM. SQ., CONTROL
TOWER OPEJATOR. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: RELIABLE.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT.

(1) OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT OF WEATHER: HIGH OVERCAST.

PART III. OBSERVER NO. III

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJEKT:

(1) SHAPE: ROUND

(2) HSIZE: BASKETBALL HELD AT ARMS LENGTH

(3) COLOR: BRIGHT WHITE

(4) NUMBER: ONE

(5) FORMATION: N/A

(6) DISCERNIBLE FEATURES: NONE

(7) TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST: NONE

(8) HSOUND: NONE

(9) OTHEJ PERTINENT FEATURES: NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

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(1) WHAT FIRST CALLED THE ATTENTION OF OBSERVER? HE HAD BEEN NOTIFIED BY CANNON AFB TOWER AND WENT OUTSIDE AND SAW THE OBJECT.

(2) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT WHEN FIRST OBSERVED: 20DEG ELEVATION, 340 AZIMUTH.

(3) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT UPON DISAPPEARANCE: NOT OBSERVED.

(4) DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH: OBJECT WAS MOVING SLOWLY TO THE EAST. OBJECT WOULD MOVE, THEN HESITATE, AND THEN

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MOVE AGAIN. OBJECT ALSO WOULD MOVE UP AND DOWN SLIGHTLY.

(5) HOW DID THE OBJECT DISAPPEAR? NOT OBSERVED.

(6) HOW LONG WAS THE OBJECT VISIBLE? 40 SECONDS.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND -VISUAL

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) ZULU TIME-DATE GROUP OF SIGHTING: 0500Z, 05 MAY 64

(2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: 034DEG 25' N, 103DEG 05' W., CLOVIS
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT NMEX

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) [REDACTED] 29, [REDACTED] CLOVIS, NMEX.,

STATION MANAGER, TRANS-TEXAS AIRWAYS, ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY:
RELIABLE.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT:

(1) OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT OF WEATHER: CLEAR NIGHT, OVER-
CAST CEILING T

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PART IV, OBSERVER NO. IV.

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A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

- (1) SHAPE: ROUND
- (2) SIZE: NICKEL AT ARMS LENGTH.
- (3) COLOR: BRIGHT WHITE--OCCASIONALLY DIMMING AND
TURNING PINKISH-RED.
- (4) NUMBER: ONE
- (5) FORMATION: N/A
- (6) DISCERNIBLE FEATURES: NONE
- (7) TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST: NONE
- (8) SOUND: NONE
- (9) OTHER PERTINENT FEATURES: NONE

B. DISCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

- (1) WHAT FIRST CALLED THE ATTENTION OF OBSERVER TO
THE OBJECT? HAD BEEN NOTIFIED BY CANNON AFB TOWER AND WENT OUT-
SIDE AND SAW THE OBJECT.
- (2) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF THE OBJECT WHEN
FIRST OBSERVED? 10DEG ELEVATION, 280DEG AZIMUTH.
- (3) ANGLE OF ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT UPON
DISSAPPEARANCE: 15DEG ELEVATION, 280DEG AZIMUTH.
- (4) DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH: FLIGHT PATH FLUCTUATED