

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 26 July 64 27/0400Z	2. LOCATION Cresco, Iowa
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION BIRDS
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 10-12	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10-15 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS 10-12 white round objects in flight from North to South. Staggered formation. No sound trail or exhaust. Observer on astronomy trip. Unknown elevation. Flight from North to South disappearing into horizon. Flight path straight. Sighting on edge of thunderstorm area. Lightning. Very low flying. Under cloud cover.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	COMMENTS: Sighting at 10PM. Multiple objects in a staggered formation flying under cloud cover. Probably a dark night. Visibility under these conditions would be very difficult. Duration and general description tends to indicate a flight of birds with the exception of the objects being reported as white. The usual report indicated that the object are grey.
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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ACTION: NIN-7

SMB B145 INFO: SAF-OS-3, XOP-1, XOPX-5, DIA-15, (32)

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FM HQ CHICAGO ADS TRUAX FLD WIS

TO RUWGALE/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RUCDSQ/FTD WPAFB OHIO

RUEAHQ/CSAF WASH DC

RUEAHQ/OSAF WASH DC

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UNCLAS CHCADC 07035. CSAF FOR AFCIN; OSAF FOR SAFOI;

30 AIR DIV FOR 30-OIN. UFO SIGHTED BY CIVILIAN 0400Z

27 JULY 1964 REPORTED TO CHADS 1545Z 28 JULY 1964.

INVESTIGATION COMPLETED 28 JULY 1964.

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) SHAPE: ROUND.

(2) SIZE: N/A.

(3) COLOR: WHITE.

(4) NUMBER: 10-12.

(5) FORMATION: STAGGERED

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(6) DISCERNABLE FEATURES: NONE.

(7) / ,9 54-8), TAIL OR EXHAUST.

(8) SOUND: NONE.

(9) UNUSUAL FEATURES: NONE.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS:

(1) WHY NOTICED: ASTRONOMY TRIP.

(2) INITIAL ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH: ELEVATION UNKNOWN
NORTH TO SOUTH.

(3) ELEVATION & AZIMUTH AS OBJECT DISAPPEARED: INTO HORIZON.

(4) FLIGHT PATH & MANEUVERABILITY: STRAIGHT.

(5) MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE: INTO HORIZON.

(6) LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: 10-15 SECONDS.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) METHOD: VISUAL.

(2) OPTICAL AIDS: NONE.

(3) AIRBORNE SIGHTING INFO: NONE.

D. TIME & DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) DTG (Z): 27/0400 JULY 64.

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS:

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(1) 43 DEGREES 43'N 92 DEGREES 40'W APPROX.

(2) CRESCO, IOWA

F. IDENTIFYING INFO ON OBSERVERS:

(1) CIVILIAN; NAME: [REDACTED]. AGE: 30. MAILING ADDRESS:

CRESCO, IOWA. OCCUPATION: GAS COMPANY EMPLOYEE.

G. (1) OBSERVERS ACCOUNT OF WEATHER: ON EDGE OF

THUNDERSTORM. (2) AWS ACCT OF WIND DIRECTION &

VELOCITY AT: 1600. (A) SURFACE: 10K. (B) 200 DEGREES 15K. (C) 270

DEGREES 10K. (D) 300 20K. (3) CEILING: 4000. (4) VISABILITY: 15. (5)

CLOUD COVER: BROKEN. (6) THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA: YES.

H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN AREA: LIGHTNING.

I. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN: NONE.

J. LOCATION OF KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA AT TIME OF

SIGHTING: NONE.

K. PREPARING OFFICER: (1) POSITION TITLE:

1ST LT CHARLES R. PIVER, 70531A

STAFF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

CHICAGO AIR DEFENSE SECTOR

(2) COMMENTS: CHECKED WITH CHADS DC & NO INTERCEPTORS

WERE IN AREA. (3) PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE

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CAUSE OF SIGHTING: UNKNOWN.

L. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE: NONE.

M. VERY LOW FLYING-UNDER CLOUD COVER.

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