

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 24 August 65 24/1125Z	2. LOCATION Fayetteville, Arkansas
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Other (PLASTIC BAGS WITH FLASHLIGHT AND CELEOPANE)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION N/A	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Physical Specimen. (Do It Yourself Flying Saucer Kit)
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE On Ground	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☒ Yes In File ☐ No	

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 43D BOMBARDMENT WING (SAC)
LITTLE ROCK AIR FORCE BASE, JACKSONVILLE, ARKANSAS, 72077



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 43DCOI/6683

30 August 1965

SUBJECT: (U) Investigation of Unidentified Flying Object

TO: 825Cmbt Spt Gp (BC)

THRU: 43DCO 52w ✓
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1. (U) The following information is the result of an investigation conducted by Captain Howard D. Lowrey, A0944986, Combat Intelligence, Intelligence Division, 43rd Bombardment Wing (M), on 26 and 27 August 1965. Investigation was conducted in accordance with AFM 200-2 concerning the report of an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO).

2. (U) Description of the object: Nine (9) light blue plastic bags approximately 36 inches in length, each bearing the inscription: "WARNING! To avoid chances of suffocation keep away from babies and children. Do not use in cribs, beds, carriages or play pens. This bag is not a toy." The bags were tied together with a string that extends approximately 36 inches below the bags. Attached to the string is a mercury type battery wired to a flashlight type bulb, #605, by two wires, numbers X-228 and X-232. Enclosing the battery and bulb were pieces of cellophane colored blue, orange, green and purple. The plastic bags appear to be the type utilized by commercial cleaning establishments to enclose clothes for customers.

3. (C) Investigation information: Mr. [REDACTED] Road, Fayetteville, Arkansas, age 50, self-employed Asphalt Broker, reported observing the UFO approximately 0525L hours, on 24 August 1965. He had just arisen from bed and saw the object in a field approximately 150 yards back of his house. He estimated the wind to be very light from a northeasterly direction at the time of first seeing the object. Mr. [REDACTED] took the UFO to Mr. Glenn Estes, Chief of FAA, Drake Airfield, Fayetteville, Arkansas, who in return notified Little Rock AFB officials. Subsequently Mr. [REDACTED] was interviewed by a reporter from the Northwest Times newspaper of Fayetteville, Arkansas and the UFO received front page open coverage in the Northwest Times plus TV coverage in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Weather conditions at Fayetteville, Arkansas during the period from 2200L, 23 August to 0800L, 24 August was:

a. Wind - Surface calm until 0800L, 24 August

b. Ceiling - Clear

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- c. Visibility - 15 miles or better, never below 7 miles
- d. Cloud coverage - None
- e. Thunderstorm - Towering cumulus north with lightening in northwest

4. (U) Additional Information: Washington County Sheriff's office and Fayetteville City Police office advised there were no reports of UFO activities during the period from 22 to 24 August 1965.

5. (U) Comments of Investigation Officer: It is the belief of the investigation officer that the UFO was made by person(s) for a prank or for amateur meteorology observations. Due to the wind currents, temperatures and the unknown amount of gas in the plastic bags, it is unknown as to where this object may have been originally launched. Per telephone conversation with the Foreign Technology Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, the UFO is being forwarded under separate cover to the FTD, TDE (UFO), Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

6. (U) With the acceptance of this report under provisions of AFR 200-2, no further action is required. The above information is submitted for your information and will be retained in the files of 43DCOI.

7. (U) This letter is classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ in accordance with paragraph 1Fa, AFR 200-2. (7p-4)

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