

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8 June 1966 08/0230Z	2. LOCATION Roann, Indiana
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT / <i>Very prob.</i> <i>Just</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	There was a B-58 A/C in the area at the time of the sighting. Often these aircraft use their afterburner for fuel weight reduction prior to landing.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 - 15 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noted object at about 225 deg azimuth, 60 deg elevation which appeared to float and bob on a relatively small area. Object had a climbing flight path towards the SE, with a very high rate of speed. The object had a reddish orange color.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE To SE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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ACTION: RDC-4

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-2, NIN-7, SAE-OS-3, DIA-1 (19)

SMB C204ECZCBVC629

ADV CY DIA

PFTU JAW RUEDYXC0219 1602105-UUUU--RUEDHQA.

DE RUCDNJ 50 1601905

ZNR UUUUU

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FM 305BOMBWG BUNKER HILL AFB IND

TO RUWONLB/ ADC ENT AFB COLO

RUCDH/30 AIRDIV TRUAX FLD WISC

RUEDFIA/AFSC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUEBBJA/ HQ USAF WASH DC

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ADC FOR ADOIN. 30 AIRDIV FOR DI. AFSC FOR FTD

HQ USAF FOR AFNIN. OSAF FOR SAFOI. SUBJECT: UFO

REPORT. SUBMITTED IAW AND KEYED TO AFR 200-2.

A. (1)ROUND (2)BASKETBALL AT ARMS LENGTH (3) REDDISH

ORANGE (4) ONE (5)N/A (6) NONE (7)HNONE (8) NONE

(9) NONE.

B. (1) BRIGHTNESS AND MOVEMENT (2) THREE MILES EAST OF

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GILEAS, INDIANA NEAR COUNTY ROAD SIX HUNDRED EAST.
TRUE BEARING NINE ZERO DEGREES. ELEVATION FIVE DEGREES.

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(3) TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE DEGREES TRUE. SIXTY
DEGREES ELEVATION. (4) APPEARED TO FLOAT AND BOB OVER
RELATIVELY SMALL AREA. (5) CLIMBING FLIGHT PATH
TOWARDS SOUTH EAST. VERY HIGH RATE OF SPEED AND
APPEARED TO ACCELERATE. OBSERVER DECLINED ESTIMATE OF
SPEED AND RATE OF ACCELERATION. (6) TEN TO FIFTEEN
MINUTES.

C. (1) GROUND-VISUAL (2) NONE (3) N/A

D. (1) ZERO TWO THIRTY ZULU EIGHT JUNE SIXTY SIX
(2) NIGHT.

E. THREE MILES EAST OF GILEAD, INDIANA ON COUNTY ROAD
SIX HUNDRED EAST.

F. MRS. [REDACTED] TWENTY EIGHT; [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HOUSEWIFE (FARM; UNRELIABLE.

G. (1) NIGHT, GOOD VISIBILITY, STARS VISIBLE. (2)

A. 200/02. B. 230/15. C. 250/20. D. 250/20.

E. 260/30. !F. 250/55. G. 250/80. H. NOT AVAILABLE.

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(3) HIGH THIN OVERCAST. (4) FIFTEEN PLUS. (5) TEN TENTHS (6) NONE. (7) TWO POINT ONE DEGREES CENTIGRADE
H. NONE.

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I. AN HH43B, TAIL NUMBER 591576, CALL SIGN PEDRO 21, PILOTED BY CAPT R. L. MERNA, WAS LAUNCHED AT 0258Z. AIRCRAFT REMAINED IN VICINITY OF SIGHTING LOCATION FOR THIRTY MINUTES. PILOT REPORTED UFO NOT OBSERVED.

J. NONE.

K. STAFF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER; CHIEF, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH. [REDACTED] WAS INTERVIEWED BY THE PREPARING OFFICER, SHE WAS SINCER AND FIRM IN HER DESCRIPTION OF THE SIGHTING. HOWEVER, IT WAS EVIDENT THAT A STATE OF FEAR EXISTED. ALSO, DURING THE INTERVIEW [REDACTED] STATED THAT SINCE EARLY LAST FALL AT LEAST SIX SIGHTINGS HAVE OCCURED WITHIN A FIVE MILE RADIUS OF THE CURRENT SIGHTING AND THE OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED BY NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES. THE SIGHTINGS WERE NOT REPORTED BECAUSE OF FEAR OF ADVERSE PUBLICITY. [REDACTED] REPORTED THE CURRENT

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SIGHTING TO THE INDIANA STATE POLICE AND LATER WAS ADVISED BY THE POLICE THE OBJECT WAS A B-58 TYPE AIRCRAFT. B-58 AIRCRAFT WERE AIRBORNE AND IN THE BUNKER HILL AFB TRAFFIC PATTERN AT THE TIME OF THE
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SIGHTING, HOWEVER, THE TRAFFIC PATTERN WAS SOUTH OF THE BASE USING RUNWAY TWO TWO ZERO WITH A LEFT TURN AFTER TAKE OFF. CONVERSELY, ENROUTE PENETRATIONS ARE NOT UNCOMMON AND COULD HAVE PLACED ONE OF THE AIRCRAFT IN THE SIGHTING AREA. ALSO, THE USE OF AFTERBURNERS OVER ISOLATED AREAS IS PRESCRIBED FOR FUEL WEIGHT REDUCTION PRIOR TO LANDING. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS INDICATES THE CAUSE OF THE SIGHTING WAS A B-58 AIRCRAFT USING THE AFTERBURNER JUST PRIOR TO LANDING AT BUNKER HILL AFB.

L. NONE

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