

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 22 August 66 22/1455Z	2. LOCATION Sacramento, California (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Other (GROUND LIGHTS)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer reported oval shaped object, approximately the size of a top being yellow-orange in color. The object looked like a spinning top. The object did not move while it was being viewed. Observer wrote back and stated that the apartment owner had put up a light in front which observer had not seen before. It was this light that she had reported.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM

FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

Sacramento, Calif.

22 Aug-66

FTD (TDETR) *hl*
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
31 August 1966

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sacramento, California 95821

Dear [REDACTED],

Reference your unidentified observation of 22 August 1966.
The information which we have received is not sufficient
for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD
Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to
the Air Force.

Sincerely,

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HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 2852D AIR BASE GROUP (AFLC)
McCLELLAN AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 95652



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: SMBB

26 AUG 1966

SUBJECT: UFO Report

TO: AFSC (FTD)

1. The following observation was reported to the 552nd AEW&C Wing Command Post at 0615Z, 22 August 1966. At 1455Z, 22 August 1966, Major Dean S. Ellestad, FV805797, 552nd Wing Command Post, relayed the information to the Operations Branch. Sergeant Claude V. Gibson, Operations Branch (BBP), contacted the observer and obtained the following information:

a. Description of the object observed:

- (1) Shape - oval
- (2) Size - approximately the size of a top, but more oblong
- (3) Color - yellow orange
- (4) Number - one
- (5) Formation - not applicable
- (6) Discernible features - like a spinning top
- (7) Tail, trail, or exhaust - none
- (8) Sound - none
- (9) Unusual features - none

b. Description of course of object:

- (1) Observer was standing in her front yard, looked up, and there it was.
- (2) Angle of elevation and azimuth - unknown
- (3) Description of flight path - still, unmoving
- (4) How object disappeared - unknown. Observer went into the house to call in the report, when she came back outside it was gone.

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(5) Length of time in view - two minutes

c. Manner of observation:

(1) Ground-visual

(2) No optical aids used

d. Time and date of sighting:

(1) 0530Z, 22 August 1966. [?]

(2) Dark beginning to break dawn

e. Location of observer - front yard of Excelsior Apartments, 3220 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, California, looking west.

f. Observer - Mrs [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Sacramento, California. Fifty years of age, widow and unemployed.

g. Weather and wind conditions at the time of sighting:

(1) Observer's account - very clear

(2) McClellan AFB, California - surface 150° at 8 Kts, 6,000 ft 280° at 10 Kts, 10,000 ft 290° at 5 Kts, 16,000 ft 270° at 5 Kts, 20,000 ft 260° at 20 Kts, 30,000 ft 260° at 55 Kts, 50,000 ft 260° at 20 Kts, 80,000 ft unknown.

(3) Ceiling - unlimited

(4) Visibility - 10 miles

(5) Cloud cover - none

h. McClellan AFB Weather Station reported that there were no meteorological weather phenomenon in the area at the time that would cause a mirage or unusual sighting.

i. Interception - none

j. Base Operations, McClellan AFB, reported that at 0533Z hours a Log Air DC-6, Call Sign 755Z, had taken off from base in a southerly direction.

2. Sergeant Gibson is of the opinion that Mrs [REDACTED] is not sure of what she saw. In view of the fact that an aircraft departed McClellan AFB at

very near the time of the alleged sighting, and the aircraft flew through the observer's line of vision, it is possible Mr. [REDACTED] saw the lights of the aircraft.

FOR THE COMMANDER

J. H. McCurley
J. H. MCCURLEY, Capt, USAF
Chief, Scty & Law Enforcement Div

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day

Month

Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

Please forgive me. The apartment
house put up a light in front of
the apt - which I had not seen seen
before - it was the reflection which I
saw - false alarm.

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