

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27-31 Oct. 66 evenings	2. LOCATION Westhampton, Long Island, New York multiple
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro(Arcturus) Aircraft(possible)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Varied	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Varied	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS On several nights in succession the witness saw a bright light in the western sky. The object appeared to be white, red, and green in color. The object just hung in the sky for a long period at least a half hour before dropping below the horizon. This flashing light was observed for several nights. The object looked like a rotating light during the observation. On one of the above nights, the witness and others several red lights in the western sky moving at great speeds. At one time a white light hit a red light and the red light then veered northward. On other nights similar lights were seen by the witness. Arcturus was at an elevation of 9 degrees and on an azimuth of 290 degrees on the night of 27 Oct. 66. The star would have set at approximately 1915 EST on the 27th of October. Other descriptions are consistent with that of aircraft.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE Varied	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

27 Oct 66

FTD (TDETR) *HL*
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
9 November 1966

[Redacted]
Westhampton Beach, New York 11978

Dear Mr. *[Redacted]*

Reference your unidentified observation of 27 October 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,

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

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27-31 Oct
Westhampton
N.Y.

November 3, 1966

Attention, Capt. Craig
Public Relations Office
Suffolk Air Force Base
Westhampton, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with our telephone conversation this morning I am sending a resume of what I have seen regarding U.F.O.'s and with it a copy that you may forward to Wright Patterson if you feel it is substantial enough to. I would like you to send it.

I think there are a lot of level-headed, honest people who are seeing unfamiliar lights. If they continue to have the treatment of ridicule from the press and radio they will become silent and that avenue of information will be closed to investigators. On the other hand there are probably nervous or hysterical people who imagine movement of stars etc.

As for myself, I have studied the stars and sky a lot and often just stand out in my back yard to enjoy the heavens and the "hand-work" of the Lord. These sightings of mine are the first I have seen out of the ordinary.

If the Air Force doesn't really know what the unexplained lights and objects are, I hope this may be of some help. As I told you it seem that they are trying to hush the people up, which would lead one to believe that they do know what the objects are and want them kept secret.

One factor, to believe the Air Force knows, is that planes are not sent up to intercept the flying objects.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
rs.

Westhampton, N. Y.

A Resume of What I Have seen in the Sky over Westhampton Area

Oct 27, about 8:10 E.D.T. as we passed the Cocoa-cola plant on the Riverhead Road.

I saw a bright light in the west, appearing to be near the hills back of Eastport, a second light, red in color was travelling north, the white one being stationary. When the red light appeared to be near the white light it seemed to swoop down nearly hitting it and the white light went straight down and out of sight and the red light veered upward, picked up speed and at a great rate of speed went northward. Four of us were in the car, and this was reported to Suffolk Air Base.

Oct 28 7:20 E.D.T. a brilliant light was in the west as I looked from my house on [REDACTED] Westhampton. It appears white and has a regular interval of red and green light, which at this distance seem to be a sort of rotating light. It hangs in the sky for a long period at least a half hour then drops down and after two downward plunges disappears.

I saw the same thing several other nights, and one night I know was on Friday, Oct. 21 at about the same time as I was coming home from grocery shopping.

After I got home from shopping the eve of 28th, my son wanted to go over to WAPC at Riverhead, so we went the lonely Speonk to Riverhead road to see if we saw any more lights. We did. A brilliant cylinder shaped light seemed to drop from out of nowhere about 500 ft from the right side of our car as we were about half way from Speonk to Moriches-Riverhead Road. I know it was not a reflection as we had the low lights on.

Oct 29, I saw the same light as above, red, green and white in the western sky. Also in the western sky were tiny red lights travelling at an unbelievable rate of speed. They were going north and suddenly shot straight up. I had called my son out to see if he could see them too, and he did. Time about 7:30 E.D.T.

At 8:15 I was outside as a guest had just left and looked to the South. The familiar bright star was there, a little to the left of the light pole in front of my house. (I expect that's the famous Dog Star) When suddenly I saw another light the same height and approximately the same size to the right of it. While I watched it thinking "Oh, another star" it started moving slowly in the direction of the stationery star and when nearly at the same position suddenly the light went out and a tiny red light was visible which shot straight up into the sky.

Oct 31, 6:15 S.T. The same brilliant, red, green and white light in the west

I used to be a plane spotter during World War II and am familiar with airplanes, and certainly with their lights, since I live right near the Suffolk Air Base, as well as having worked there for nine months. At no time that I have seen the unfamiliar lights in the sky, have I heard any sort of plane noise.

[REDACTED]

Name of person taking report CAPT CRAIG Duty Ext 471Date of report 28 OCT 66 Local Time 1615Caller's name [REDACTED]Telephone number [REDACTED]Address [REDACTED]WESTHAMPTON BEACH, N.Y.Description of object(s):

Shape LG. ROUND
SM - ROUND

Size compared to a known object (use one of the following terms: head of a pin, pea, dime nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit or basketball) held in the hand at about an arm's length.

LG. LEMON SM - DOT

Color LG - WHITE
SM - RED

Number 2

Formation, if more than one N/A

Any discernible features or details NO

Tail, trail or exhaust, including size compared to size of object(s)

NO

Sound, if heard, describe sound NO

Other pertinent or unusual features NO

Send
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Description of object's (s') course:

What first called the attention of the observer(s) to the object(s)?

HAD SEEN DIFFERENT TYPE CRAFT (BOMBS).
WORKS IN RADIO STATION - KNEW MANY REPORTS
HARD BEEN TURNED IN - WAS LOOKING AT
SKY COMING HOME AFTER WORK.

Angle of elevation. (The horizon is 0° elevation. Directly over the observer's head is 90° elevation. The object must appear within this 0° - 90° range). ~~16-45~~ 16-45°

Azimuth (which direction on the compass was it headed)? North is 360°. East is 90°. South is 180°. West is 270°.

Angle of elevation and azimuth upon disappearance.

16-0°
5m-90° 270°

Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s). RED ONE CAME FROM BEHIND LATERAL WHITE ONE. WHITE REMAINED STATIONARY. RED FLEW ABOVE WHITE, THEN DOWN STRIKING WHITE, THEN WHITE FELL TO GROUND, RED SHOT STRAIGHT UP VERY FAST. (FLOATED)

How did the object(s) disappear? (Instantaneously to the North, etc.)

SEE ABOVE

How long was (were) the object(s) visible? Be specific - five minutes, one hour, etc.)

WHITE - 5 MIN.
RED - 3 MIN.

Manner of Observation:

Use one or any combination of the following items: ground-visual, air-visual, ground-electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar).

GROUND-VISUAL

Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, etc.) used and description thereof.

NONE

THIS QUESTION IS NOT PERTINENT WHEN CALLER IS A CIVILIAN.

COMPLETE ONLY IF REPORTED BY A PILOT.

If the sighting occurred while airborne, give type of aircraft _____, identification # _____, altitude _____, heading _____, speed _____ and home station _____

Date and Time of Sighting:

Date: 27 OCT 66

Zulu Time: 19451

Light Conditions - day, night, dawn, dusk

Location of Observer(s):

Pinpoint location accurately. Use street and building names if it will help. (Example - backyard of house at 22 Dune Road, Westhampton Beach, N. Y.)

ON RIVERHEAD-WESTHAMPTON RD. 100 S. OF
COCA COLA PLANT.

Identification of Observer:

Name [REDACTED]

Age 17

Mailing Address [REDACTED]

WESTHAMPTON BEACH, N.Y.

Phone Number [REDACTED]

Occupation STUDENT - PAST TIME RADIO ANNOUNCER

EDUCATION - H.S. SENIOR

TO PERSON COMPLETING FORM - Give your estimate of observer's reliability and reasons.

WAS QUITE REASONABLE, AND CERTAIN OF
INFORMATION. NO REASON TO SUSPECT
RELIABILITY.

HIS SISTER TAVARUS AND NEUS DIRECTOR
VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN RESULT OF
INVESTIGATION.

Witnesses - Obtain name, age, address, phone, and occupation of every witness. Use other side of this sheet if necessary.

MRS. [REDACTED], 43-44, [REDACTED], W.H.N., [REDACTED]
288-2223

[REDACTED], 17, SAME ADDRESS, STUDENT

[REDACTED], 13, SAME ADDRESS, STUDENT

Physical Evidence: Were photographs taken or was any physical evidence of the object left behind? (Note: If the caller says there is physical evidence still present, contact Wing Operations Duty Officer through CAC, Ext 493, or the Air Police, Ext 408, immediately).

NO

Weather:

(Observer(s) account of weather conditions. *CLEAR*)

THIS IS THE END OF QUESTIONS FOR THE OBSERVER. RECORD ANY OTHER COMMENTS HE MAY WANT TO ADD. THANK HIM (HER) FOR CALLING.

*Seemed quite low. Seemed to fall
into wooded area between missile site
and base.*

WHEN THE CALLER HAS HUNG UP, CALL BASE WEATHER AT EXT. 488 FOR THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

	<u>WIND DIRECTION</u>	<u>VELOCITY IN KNOTS & DEGREES</u>
SURFACE:		
6,000'		
10,000'		
16,000'		
20,000'		
30,000'		
40,000'		
50,000'		
80,000'		

Note: Weather questionnaire
continued on page 5.

Ceiling:

Visibility:

Amount of cloud cover:

Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located:

Vertical temperature gradient:

Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

NEXT CALL THE COMBAT ALERT CENTER, EXT. 493, FOR THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Was radar sighting made? By whom?

Was intercept action taken?

Location, approximate altitude, and general direction of flight of any air traffic or balloon releases in the area which might possibly account for the sighting.

FINALLY, CALL GRUMMAN AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS SECTION AT 727-1500, EXT. 611, TO FIND OUT IF THEY HAD ANY AIRCRAFT FLYING WHICH COULD ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING.

Do not discuss the report with any civilian callers. Only the Office of Information, Hq. USAF, is authorized to release information concerning UFO reports. If you are called by members of the press, ask them to please call the Information Officer, Capt. Craig at 288-2747, or his assistant, Lt. Campbell at base ext. 398.

The regulation which covers UFO reports is AFR 200-2. Refer to it if you have any questions in the handling of this report. Turn in this form with your OD report in the morning.

One final note. Most UFO reports are rather routine "lights-in-the-sky" sightings. When a report comes in that is obviously based on more tangible evidence, or when several reports of sightings at the same time are received, contact the Operations Duty Officer through the CAC, Ext 493. Reports are much more easily investigated at the time of the sightings than a day or two later. Your cooperation and good sense will help the Air Force investigate these sightings in a professional manner.