

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE-TIME GROUP 27 Dec. 66 28/0345Z	2. LOCATION Corvallis, Oregon three witnesses
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Aircraft (possible)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION several minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers watched a star like object that was red and orange in color travel toward the north in one instance and to the east in another. In each observation the object was in view for about 3-4 minutes. One observer said the object appeared to go through the clouds on a level course from the south to the north. Contact with the 93rd BW revealed that two KC-135 aircraft were in the area of the sighting at one time stated the alleged UFO was observed. Due to the reported cloud cover it is not believed that these aircraft were observed. The investigating official believes that a small aircraft was responsible for the observation.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE Varied	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	

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ACTION: RDC-4 INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA/JCS-1 (19)
SMB A046CZCEVB952

ADV CY DIA/JCS

PTTU JAW RUWMBDA4913 3622200-UUUU--RUEDHQA.

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FOR AFRDC - HQ USAF: SAFOI - SECRETARY OF THE AIR
FORCE. UFOB REPORT. THE FOLLOWING UFOB REPORT

IS SUBMITTED. PART I.

PART A.

1. UNKNOWN
2. UNKNOWN
3. ORANGE/RED
4. ONE
5. NONE

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- 6. NONE
- 7. UNKNOWN
- 8. UNKNOWN
- 9. NONE

PART B.

- 1. NOTED WHILE PLAYING BASKEY BALL
- 2. WEST
- 3. UNKNOWN/NORTH
- 4. HEADED WEST TURNED NORTH
- 5. INTO CLOUDS OR OVER HORIZON
- 6. TEN MINUTES

PART C.

- 1. VISUAL
- 2. BINOCULARS
- 3. N/A

PART D.

- 1. 0337Z 28 DEC 66
- 2. NIGHT

PART E.

- 1. 44 33N 123 17W

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PART F.

1 MR. [REDACTED], CORVALLIS, OREGON

PART G.

1. CLOUDS WERE BROKEN
2. WINDS - SURFACE 180 AT 10

6M 330 AT 25

10M 320 AT 30

16M 320 AT 40

20M 320 AT 55

30M 330 AT 65

50M 310 AT 25

CEILING - 6000 FT

VISIBILITY - 15

CLOUD COVER - 10/10

THUNDERSTORMS - NONE

VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT - SUBSIDENCE INVERSION

APPROX 5500 FT DRY ABOVE

SUNSET - 1637L

PART H. RELEASE OF WEATHER BALLOON FROM SALEM AIRPORT NNE OF
OBSERVER POSITION:

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PART I. NONE

PART J. NO AIR TRAFFIC; HOWEVER ONE WEATHER BALLOON RELEASE AT
SALEM OREGON 44 53N 123 02W. TIME 0319Z.

PART K. STAFF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER 26 AIRDIV. THIS REPORT WAS
ONE OF THREE WHICH OCCURRED IN EIGHT MINUTE PERIOD 0337-0345Z.
WEATHER BALLOON RELEASED AT SALEM 0319Z APPARENTLY NOT CAUSE OF
SIGHTING. WIND DIRECTION WAS FROM NNW. SALEM AIRPORT IS NNE
CORVALLIS 25 MILES. NO PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS IS OFFERED AS TO
CAUSE OF SIGHTING. RELIABILITY F-6.

PART L. NONE

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Contact was made with the 93rd BW, Castle AFB, Calif. regarding aircraft participating in the refueling track Ocean Tide (Bravo), AR-8B. Two KC-135's were on the track between 0235 and 0325. These aircraft would have been traveling toward the north and after passing the Eugene Vortac would have made a left 10 degrees angle bank turn so that the aircraft would have been in position to fly south on another refueling track. These aircraft would have been passing near the town of Corvallis, at or about the time of the sightings. The town of Corvallis, Oregon is at 44 34N/123 17W. The Eugene Vortac is at 44 07N/123 15W.

Contact was made with Maj. Shifflit, Adair AFS, Oregon. Major Shifflit contacted the West Coast Airlines but they did not have any aircraft in the area. He did not contact the FAA. The weather bureau reported a ceiling of 6000 feet and overcast, but there was no indication of how thick the cloud cover was at the time of the sighting. Major Shifflit will check with the FAA and call back with additional information.

Major Shifflit called back to say that he had checked with the FAA. There was only one aircraft on record; this being an aircraft inbound from the south that landed at Eugene, Oregon. Major Shifflit said that there are numerous small aircraft that fly in the area without IFR instructions. After being told of the KC-135's in the area he said that he didn't believe that these aircraft were seen because of the cloud cover. He said that if appears that a small aircraft was observed which was flying on a VFR flight plan.

It should be noted that two of the observers said that the clouds were either broken or thinly overcast. If the clouds were broken at all during the observation the two KC-135 aircraft could have been seen.

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ACTION: RDC-4

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SMB D050CZCBVC216 INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAF-OS-3, NIN-7, DIA-1, (19)

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FORCE. UFOB REPORT. THE FOLLOWING UFOB REPORT
IS SUBMITTED. PART I.

PART A.

1. UNKNOWN
2. UNKNOWN
3. RED/YELLOW
4. ONE
5. NONE

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6. NONE

7. NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

PART B.

1. WAS CHECKING POWER LINES AT TIME OF OBSERVATION

2. 1500 FT NW OF CORVALLIS, OREGON

3. UNKNOWN/NW OF CORVALLIS

4. FRO NW TO EAST. STOPPED TWO MILES N. DISAPPEARED NW.

5. SLOWLY

6. 4-5 MIN

PART C.

1. VISUAL

2. NONE

3. N/A

PART D.

1. 0345Z 28 DEC 66

2. NIGHT

PART E.

1. CORVALLIS, OREGON 44 34N 123 17W

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PART F.

1. MR. [REDACTED], CORVALLIS, OREGON

PART G.

1. CLOUDS THIN OVERCAST

2. WINDS - SURFACE 180 AT 10

6M 330 AT 25

10M 320 AT 30

16M 320 AT 40

20M 320 AT 55

30M 330 AT 65

50M 310 AT 25

CEILING 6000 FT

VISIBILITY - 15

CLOUD COVER - 10/10

THUNDERSTORMS - NONE

VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT - SUBSIDENCE INVERSION APPROX

5500 FT DRY ABOVE

SUNSET - 1637L

PART H. RELEASE OF WEATHER BALLOON FROM SALEM AIRPORT NNE OF
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PART L. NONE

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FORCE. UFOB REPORT. THE FOLLOWING UFOB REPORT
IS SUBMITTED. PART I.

PART A.

1. STAR SHAPE WITH GLIMMERING EFFECT
2. 2MM - PIN HEAD
3. ORANGE
4. ONE
- 5 N/A

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6. GLIMMER-SHIMMERING

7. NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

PART B.

1. GLANCED UP

2 WEST - 30 - 40 DEGREES

3. NW -30 - 40 DEGREES

4. LEVEL FROM SOUTH TO NORTH

5. APPEARED TO GO THRU CLOUDS

6. STOP WATCH - FOUR MINUTES FORTY SECONDS

PART C.

1. GROUND

2. NONE

3. N/A

PART D.

1. 0440Z, 28 DEC 66

2. NIGHT

PART E.

1. CORVALLIS, OREGON 44 34N 123 17W

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PART F.

1. MR. [REDACTED] HIGHLAND VIEW SCHOOL TEACHER
[REDACTED] S, OREGON

PART G.

1. GROUND VISIBILITY GOOD. SKY OVERCAST

2. WINDS - SURFACE 180 AT 10

6M 330 AT 25

10M 320 AT 30

16M 320 AT 40

20M 320 AT 55

30M 330 AT 65

50M 310 AT 25

CEILING - 6000 FT

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NOTE: ORIG TRANS NOT IDENTIFIED.

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