

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 16 Feb 67 17/0440Z	2. LOCATION Topeka, Kansas one
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION Aircraft(possible)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION four minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	Observer was driving in his car when he noticed an oval shaped object on an 330 degree azimuth. The object looked as if a flare at one time diring the sighting. No sound was noted because the car windows were up. The object just faded from view.
7. COURSE Stationary	C-130 departed Forbes AFB, Kansas at 0436Z 17 Feb 67. The aircraft made a right turn to intercept an airway. The aircraft should have passed approximately two miles west of the sighting location at an altitude of 2000 on a heading of approximately 310 degrees. It appears that the witness viewed the lights of this departing aircraft.
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-1 (19)

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P 172303Z

FM 838 CMBT SPT GP TAC FORBES AFB KANSAS

TO RUWMPVA/ADC ENT AFB COLORADO

RUWTEMA/30TH AD RICHARDS GEBALR AFB MISSOURI

RUEDFIF/FTD WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO).

FOR: YDETR; AFRDC; SAF-01.

ALPHA: (1) OVAL, (2) BASKETBALL, (3) WHITE, (4) ONE, (5) N/A,

(6) ERUPTIONS AS FROM A WHITE PHOSPHORUS FLARE, (7) NONE, (8) UN-

KNOWN - CAR WINDOWS UP, CAR RADIO ON, (9) NONE. BRAVO: (1) SELF

SIGHTED AS LIGHT IN SKY, (2) 50 DEG ELEVATION 330 DEG ASIMUTH, (3)

SAME AS (2), (4) STATIONARY, (5) FADED FROM SIGHT, (6) FOUR (4)

MINUTES. CHARLIE: (1) GROUND - VISUAL, (2) NONE, (3) N/A.

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DELTA: (1) 170440Z, 224000Z, (2) NIGHT. ECHO: 3901N 9543W

SOUTHWEST CORNER OF CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS. FOXTROT: (1) N/A

(2) WALTER C. PITTMAN, COLONEL, 5TH U. S. ARMY ADVISORY GROUP,

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SENIOR ARMY ADVISOR. VERY RELIABLE. GOLF: (1) LIGHT SNOW,

(2) WINDS SFC 13/05, 6M 27/15, 10M 29/25, 16M 27/55, 20M 27/85,

30M 26/135, 50M 26/45. (3) 6M (4) 9 MILES (5) OVERCAST (6) NONE.

(7) SFC 18 DEG F, 1500FT 15 DEG F, 2200FT 18 DEG F, 3M 23 DEG F,

5M 20 DEG F, 7M 10 DEG F, 8M 9 DEG F, 10M 6 DEG F, 11M 5 DEG F,

13M 4 DEG F 15M 6 DEG F. HOTEL: NONE. INDIA:

NONE JULIET: C-130 DEPARTED FORBES AFB AT 0436Z, TURNED RIGHT

AFTER TAKE-OFF TO INTERCEPT AIRWAY BETWEEN TOPEKA AND SALINA

KANSAS. SHOULD HAVE PASSED APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES WEST OF SIGHTING

LOCATION AT AN ALTITUDE OF 2,000' AGL ON A HEADING OF APPROXIMATELY

310 DEG. KILO: BASE OPERATIONS OFFICER. BELIEVE SIGHTING TO BE

LIGHTS OF DEPARTING C-130. ERUPTIONS DESCRIBED IN ALPHA (6) WERE

PROBABLY REFLECTIONS OFF OF LIGHT FALLING SNOW IN AREA. IN MY

OPINION MANY UFO OBSERVERS HAVE THE MISTAKEN BELIEF THAT BECAUSE

AN OBJECT APPEARS TO BE STATIONARY IT CANNOT POSSIBLY BE AN AIR-

CRAFT. THIS OBSERVER WAS IN A MOVING VEHICLE AND IT IS MY BELIEF

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THAT THE RELATIVE POSITIONS OF CAR AND AIRCRAFT AND MOVEMENT OF
EACH COULD CAUSE THE OBSERVED OBJECT TO BE STATIONARY.

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