

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE & TIME GROUP 22 Feb 67 23/0115Z	2. LOCATION Kingsland, Texas 1 witness
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro(Venus) ✓ <i>JKH</i> Venus was setting just after the observation on an azimuth of 272 degrees.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 7 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer watched a conical shaped glowing bright orange light in the western sky. The top of the object at times appeared white in color. It was estimated to be the size of a city water tower. At times the bottom of the object appeared to be rotating red and green. The description is consistent with that of an astronomical observation. Venus at the time of the sighting was about 5 degrees in elevation and on an azimuth of 271 degrees.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Kingsland, Texas 22

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1 MAR 67 18 47z

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FM 75 TACRECONWG BERGSTROM AFB TEX

TO FTD WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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UNCLAS DO 05056 FEB 67. WFO REPORT TO FTD WPAFB FOR

IDETR. WFO SIGHTING REPORT.

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

(1) CONICAL SHAPE, HOWEVER DID NOT HAVE PEAK AT TOP.

DIAMETER OF BOTTOM LARGER THAN TOP.

(2) ESTIMATED AS APPROXIMATELY THE SIZE OF A CITY WATER TANK.

(3) TOP-A GLOWING CLEAR WHITE.

BOTTOM-APPEARED TO BE ROTATING RED AND GREEN.

(4) ONE

(5) NO

(6) NONE

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) APPEARED TO HOVER THEN DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

(1) APPEARED IN WEST AS EXTREMELY BRIGHT ORANGE LIGHT.

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(2) 5-7 DEGREES ELEVATION, AZIMUTH 270 DEGREES.

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(4) APPEARED STATIONARY THEN DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY.

(5) SUDDENLY

(6) APPROXIMATELY 7 MINUTES

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) BINOCULARS M131A1X33

(3) NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) 22/191500Z 23/2115Z

(2) DUSK, NO SUN VISIBLE

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

(1) 22/1915CST 23/2115Z

(2) DUSK, NO SUN VISIBLE

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

(1) 33-45N 98-23W

3 MILES NORTH OF KINGSLAND, TEXAS

F. INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

(1) CIVILIAN

(A) MRS. [REDACTED]

(B) 31

(C) [REDACTED] BURNET, TEXAS

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(D) HOUSEWIFE

(E) BUSINESS COLLEGE, WORKED IN BUSINESS WORLD FOR 20 PLUS

(F) FAIR

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT

(1) CLEAR

(2) DERGSTROM AFB WEATHER STATION

(A) 360/10

(B) 340/30

(C) 310/40

(D) 300/50

(E) 300/70

(F) 290/110

(G) 290/130

(H) 290/150

(3) NONE

(4) UNRESTRICTED

(5) NONE

(6) NONE

(7) STANDARD- SLIGHT INVERSION 6-9 THOUSAND FEET, AND THEN
SLIGHT INVERSION AT 23 THOUSAND FEET. AIR WAS DRY.

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I. NONE

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H. NONE

I. NONE

J. ABILENE, TEXAS, CIVIL WEATHER BUREAU RELEASED A RADIOSONDE BALLOON 22/1733 CST. WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY WOULD HAVE CARRIED THE BALLOON IN A GENERAL SOUTH EASTERLY DIRECTION.

K. RICHARD E. MCCLAIN, CAPTAIN, USAF, 75 TRW, TAC. THE BALLOON RELEASE FROM ABILENE, TEXAS COINCIDES FAVORABLY WITH THE REPORTED SIGHTING. THE POSSIBLE BURSTING OF THE BALLOON COULD EXPLAIN THE "SUDDEN" DISAPPEARANCE OF THE OBJECT. THE EXTREMELY HIGH ALTITUDE THAT THIS TYPE OF BALLOON REACHES, AND THE REFLECTION OF THE SUN COULD POSSIBLY ACCOUNT FOR THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE OBJECT EVEN THOUGH THE SUN WAS BELOW THE HORIZON AT THE TIME.

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