

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8-10 Jan 69	2. LOCATION Norfolk, Virginia
3. SOURCE Multiple	10. CONCLUSION Possible AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Description similar to helicopter with search light.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION See Case	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Several observations of a moving and stationary bright light, similar to a search light.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE See Case	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Gives Helicopter 24-Hour Capabilities

Powerful Searchlight
Can Throw 300-Foot
Diameter Beam From
2000 Feet



Controlled completely from inside the cockpit, light can be aimed in any direction via remote control. Another feature is variable beam width.

By Jeff Hutchinson

A ship is spotted by powerful beam during river patrol. Primarily developed for law enforcement, the armed forces have also shown an interest.

DEVELOPMENT OF equipment to extend the utility of the helicopter into the nighttime is part of a natural growth pattern that probably started with the design of the first cargo hook. Someone realized that the unique capabilities of rotary wing aircraft could be used for many other jobs, and the race was on to find new ways to use the machine. Each new application was preceded by the development of a new device to make the new job possible. So it is with the Night-sun, a lightweight, high-powered searchlight that opens up the night to many new helicopter activities.

As might be expected, police applications developed rapidly. At this

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AEROSPACE DEFENSE COMMAND
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO 80912



REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

ADCOF-20

29 JAN 1958

SUBJECT:

UFO Sighting Report

TO:

CSAF (TEPT UFO) (SAF-OI)

The attached Navy UFO Sighting Report was received via mail and is forwarded for your information.

Frank J. Pietryka

FRANK J. PIETRYKA, Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerospace Environment Div
Directorate of Operations

Cy to: FFB (TE-TR)
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH

NAVAL COMMUNICATION STATION NORFOLK
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23511

IN REPLY REFER TO
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17 JAN 1969

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Communication Station Norfolk
To: Commanding General, Headquarters NORAD, Attention NIIC,
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80912

Subj: UFO sighting; report of

Encl: (1) Statement of [REDACTED] dtd 8 Jan 1969
(2) Statement of YN [REDACTED] 3 93 61
(3) Statement of R. [REDACTED] Guard, dtd
10 Jan 1969

1. The enclosures (1), (2) and (3) are self explanatory. The activity at which the sightings were reported is: The Naval Radio Transmitting Station, Driver, Virginia, a component of the Naval Communication Station Norfolk.


J. J. ZAMMIT

Jan. 8, 1969

Subj- Incident that occurred on security rounds.

At approx. 12:40 A.M. Wed. Jan. 8, 1969 while making security rounds near transmitter Bldg. I noticed a bright, intense, flood light shining down on transmitter Bldg. from approx. 200 feet above. My first thought was that someone had installed a flood light that day as I knew it was not there the night before. I turned right to go around the Bldg and the light was so bright I decided to stop the vehicle and get out for a better look. When I stepped and got out the flood light went out and a red glow came on and it shot straight up very fast. While it was going up red and white flames were shooting out and the best I can describe what this flame looked like, was red hot lava shooting and peering out. I don't know how far up it went as it was cloudy and very dark but I would guess two or three miles.

It came to a stop for about a minute and then it made a circle very fast and stopped; it did this two times and stopped for about another minute. It then seemed like it started coming down in a long dive and then it leveled off and disappeared heading east. There was a red glow to this from the time it started up till the time it disappeared, which was approx. 4 or 5 minutes time in all.

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STATEMENT OF [REDACTED]

On or about 1935, 10 January 1969 my wife and I were leaving our house to go to the shopping center in Portsmouth, Virginia. I happened to glance up at the sky noting that it was a very clear night and that all the stars were fairly visible. As I looked in the general direction of the 800* Tower, I noticed a large bright white light, I said to my wife what the hell is that, thinking at first that some one might have put a white light in the top of the Tower. However, as we drove down to the Gate of the station I noticed that it was not in the same area as the Tower and that all lights were still extinguished on Tower #6.

About the best discription that I can derive of what I say, was in comparison to a large spotter light of the type used on aircraft when they approach an international airport, however, this particular light could not have been on MMX a convention-type aircraft, unless it was a helicopter., because it remained stationary and did not move in any direction. My wife and I proceeded to the shopping center and when I returned, I made a point to look for this same light. It was no longer anywhere in sight. The time of my second observation was about 2120, 10 January 1969. I reported my UFO sighting to the station duty officer who in turned notified the Officer in Charge, Naval Radio Station (T), Driver, Virginia.

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Friday 10. Jan. 1969

SUBJECT. UNIDENTIFIED LIGHT.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT AT APPROX. 1930 HOURS
ON THIS DATE 1 ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ SECURITY
GUARD AT NAV. ROAD STA. (7) DRIVER, VA. NOTICED
THAT THE SIGNAL LIGHTS ON 500 FT. TOWER WERE
OUT. BUT WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE EVENING
STAR SEEMED TO BE AT TOP OF SAID TOWER
BUT AFTER CHECKING WITH S.D.O. KINNETT AND
BEING INFORMED THAT THE SIGNAL LIGHTS WERE
KNOWN TO BE OUT I TOOK FOR GRANTED THAT
WHAT I THOUGHT WAS A STAR COULD HAVE
BEEN A BRIGHT LIGHT BEING TEMP. USED
UNTILL SIGNAL LIGHTS COULD BE REPAIRED
AND GAVE THE MATTER NO FURTHER
ATTENTION UNTILL APPROX 2100 HOURS
WHEN YN1 OLIVER ASK ME IF I HAD
SEEN SAID LIGHT I TOLD HIM THAT I HAD
BUT THE LIGHT WAS NOT VISIBLE AT THIS
TIME. THE MATTER WAS BROUGHT TO
THE BASE CIC ATTENTION & PROPERLY LOGED

R. H. Wootenbury
Security Guard
NAV. ROAD STG (1)
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