

1. DATE - TIME GROUP Approx 10 Dec 53 between dusk & night	2. LOCATION Columbus, Indiana
3. SOURCE civilian	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION four mins	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Four bright points of light rotating clockwise. White, cloudy or gaseous, described as a circular ring of smoke, two objects
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual	
7. COURSE SW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	

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HEADQUARTERS
2466th AIR FORCE RESERVE COMBAT TRAINING CENTER (CONAC)
Atterbury Air Force Base
Columbus, Indiana

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SUBJECT: UFOB

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

1. In lieu of AF Form 112b as required by AFR 200-2, 26 August 1953, the following information is submitted to conform to paragraph 6b of cited regulation:

a. Description of the objects:

- (1) Shape: Circular ring of smoke; cloudy substance that stayed in a plane. No upper or lower structure could be seen.
- (2) Size: Observer would not estimate size with the exception of using the word, "large". No relative comparison.
- (3) Color: White, cloudy, gaseous.
- (4) Number: Two
- (5) Formation: Staggered like two jets in flight, tightly following each other.
- (6) Discernable features or details: Four bright or brilliant equidistant points of light within the same plane, rotating slowly clockwise and seeming to be the source of cloudy aura, white in color.
- (7) Tail, trail or exhaust: Compared favorably with Jet take-off when observed at night. Bluish white with vaporish trail.
- (8) Sound: None to the ear, although observers stood outside of car to make sure.
- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features: Controlled downward tilt from direction of approach to hovering point. Complete level stability while hovering. Take-off in upward tilt with bright points of light fixed, two to the rear and two forward. Incredible speed when disappearing.

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b. Description of course of objects:

- (1) Attention: Observers attracted by brilliant moving light.
- (2) Angle of flight: Observers were in moving car and travelling East. Looked North at approximately 20° elevation.
- (3) Angle of flight on disappearance: Undetermined by observers; spoken of as, "sharp upward travel", in southwesterly direction having approached from the North.
- (4) Flight path and maneuvers: In-line approach with steady descent; stationary attitude at one spot; then tremendous acceleration on in-line flight at an abrupt angle.
- (5) Manner of disappearance: Seemingly instantaneous surge to maximum speed, keeping formation.
- (6) Length of time observed: Approximately three (3) to four (4) minutes. Observation period included two (2) moves and one change of direction of car travel figured at about two (2) minutes elapsed time. Total time, then, was five to six minutes.

c. Manner of observation:

- (1) Ground-visual. Area of final observation was flat, north of city congestion, with no buildings nearby.
- (2) No optical aids employed.
- (3) Not applicable.

d. Time and Date of sighting:

- (1) Time: 0002 to 0008Z
Date: Observers unable to remember exactly.
- (2) Light conditions: Between dusk and night.

e. Location of observers:

- (1) $85^{\circ} 49'$ East $39^{\circ} 03'$ North Seymour, Indiana.

f. Identifying information of all observers:

- (1) Civilians - Mr. [REDACTED] and Mrs. [REDACTED], Mr Jones, 60. [REDACTED], Seymour, Ind. He is a druggist. Owner-operator of Jones Drug Store. Not prone to exaggeration; direct forthright attitude toward people; within his knowledge, he is truthful, honest.

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g. Weather/wind conditions:

(1) Period covers the week of 8 December to 15 December 1953.

(a) Dec 8 - 10: Overcast
10 - 12: Clear between 1300 to 2400, otherwise overcast.
11 - 12: Overcast
13 - 15: Overcast
Light rain, drizzle, light snow, fog prevailed intermittently.

(b) Dec 8 - 13: winds South thru West
14 - 15: switched to North
Velocity: 10 to 12 K
Visibility: 1½ miles to 15 miles variable thruout week.

h. Other unusual activity or conditions:

No noticeable disturbances or conditions in the area.
Observation information provided by S/Sgt Billy R. Egger, Chief Observer, Detachment 21, Ninth Weather Group, Atterbury AFB.

i. Physical evidence of the sighting:

None.

j. Not applicable.

k. Air traffic in area: None according to observers. Impossible to verify without exact date through ACS and 2466th Operations.

l. Position, title, comments by preparing Officer (NCO).

No officer assigned at the time of report contact.

S/Sgt Bruce C.F. Butler
NCOIC, Reserve Information Office

Comments: Contact with Mr. [REDACTED] developed on the advice of Dr. [REDACTED] St., Columbus, Ind., through a telephone call to Lt Marvin Satin, Adjutant, (at the time, OD) on 9 January at approximately 1650 (GST)

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Comments: Mr [REDACTED] was a patient in the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] under the care of Dr. [REDACTED]. He was to be released 10 January or 11 January after short convalescence.

Mr [REDACTED] stated that he had not told anyone of his experiences other than three personal friends desiring to avoid ridicule. He firmly believes in what he saw, however. His wife has the same attitude.

Dr [REDACTED] uncovered the story by saying he had a letter from his son in the Air Force in Saudi, Arabia, who claimed to have seen a "Flying Saucer". Thereupon, Mr [REDACTED] divulged his experiences.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

DIST:

Info Copy to AITC



22 Oct 53

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10/63152
11 Dec 53 14 17z
McC. Pitts Runge AR

Found to pick up 9
9:20
10:30
12:30
1:35

Arthur

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(1) ATTAL
(2) Atia
(3) 4. R. File

1953 DEC 11

~~FM DEPTAR WASHDC~~

TO ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

14:23

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FM DASOPS WESTOVER AFB MASS

TO JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

UEPBA/SEC DEF WASH DC

INFO 22RCONATLDIRMATS WESTOVER AFB MASS

AF OHIO

~~REDACTED~~ CIRVIS CONFIRM APPROX 45 MILES NE OF PITTSBURGH
AIRBORNE OBLONG BRIGHTLY LIGHTED FLAME COMING FROM TAIL OF OBJECT
MY ALTITUDE WAS 15000 FT VIS UNRESTRICTED POSITION APPROX 32 MILES
NE OF PITTSBURGH ON A MAGNETIC HEADING OF 275 DEGREES
OBJECT APPEARED FROM ONE ONE OCLOCK ALTITUDE APPROX 18000 19000 FT
TRAVELING AT EXTREME RATE OF SPEED ON APPROX HEADING OF 235 DEGREES
OBJECT DISAPPEARED AT ONE ONE OCLOCK FROM MY POSITION ABOUT 5 MILES
FROM ME THIS OBJECT WAS OBLONG IN SHAPE APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 3 FT
IN LENGTH THE OBJECT WAS VERY BRIGHTLY LIGHTED HAD FLAME COMING FROM
THE TAIL TIME 0315Z 12 DEC WITNESSED BY PILOT COPILOT NAVIGATOR ENGINEER

PRB 11

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ONE PASSENGER WING DIR 252 DECEETS 35 KNOTS PHILLIPSBURGH RADIO CALLED
HE ASKED IF I HAD AFFIRMATIVE AT THE SAME TIME I HEARD A TWA PILOT
AMERICAN AIRLINE PILOT REPORTING THEIR DESCRIPTIONS OF THE OBJECT
PILOT JAMES A GREEN CAPT USAF A/C CS7 48431 HOME STATION 56TH AT
32 KELLY AFB TEX

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**DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
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CALLED ATIC 4
At 1100Z
Bm.

11 DEC 53 10 59z

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Washing to D.C.

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11 COMDR 1451 ARW ANDREWS AFB TX

10 JEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

11 DEC 53

DEPRQ/SEC DEF WASHDC

ZEN/COMATS ANDREWS AFB MD

GROUP/COMBATIC WRIGHT PATERSON AFB OHIO

JEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE WASHDC

SEPLG/COMDR TAC LANGLEY AFB VA

/CIRVIS/UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT PASSED HORIZONTALLY FROM EAST TO WEST

IN NEAR VICINITY OF FLINTSTOONE INTERSECTION CMA MOVING VERY RAPIDLY

PD TIME OF SIGHTING 110326Z PD AIRCRAFT AT 9000 FEET OBJECT ESTIMATED

TO BE 5000 FEET ABOVE IDENTIFIED BY CREW C-54 9123 PILOT CROW CMA

W MAJ 1421 FCG ANDREWS AFB MD NEW BUT RELATED SUBJECT PD FLAT DISK

SHAPE CMA LONG TAIL CMA WHITE LIGHT CMA. ABOUT SPEED OF JET ESTIMATED

TO BE ABOUT 5 OR 6 THOUSAND FEET AT 113315Z OVER WASH DC PD REPORTED

SH DC PD

IN BUT RELATED SUBJECT PD BALL OF FIRE LASTED FOR 2 OR 3 SECONDS

MOVING RAPIDLY HORIZONTALLY PD TIME 112310Z PD OVER NOREDECK CMA

KEYLAND PD REPORTED BY LAWRENCE CONGER CMA ROUTE 3 CMA MOREECKY CMA

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11/1010Z DEC JEPFF

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