

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 August 1956	2. LOCATION Spragueville, Maine	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 17/1550Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION three minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS see below	9. COURSE unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING This sighting, as noted above, was picked up on airborne radar. Object appeared on radar scope as two aircraft or one large aircraft. Intercept aircraft lost radar contact with object at 4000 yards. At this time pilot and radar observer felt they should have been able to see object visually. Radar observer estimated that object was moving at over 500K. Object was tracked for three minutes. No Report In File		11. COMMENTS A limited investigation was assigned to Flt 3-G, 4602d AISS on 20 Aug 56. Results of the investigation indicate that the sighting was probably caused by an aircraft. A copy of the Disposition form from OIC, Flt 3-G is forwarded for your information.

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Multi
"(U) Request for UFO Report Analysis

TO: AFOIN-4E4
ATTN: Capt Gregory

FROM: AFOIN-4E1

DATE: 25 Sep 56 *1503* COMMENT NR 2
AFOIN-4E1a/Mr. Bryant/mkh
72131/Bldg 263/Post D-12

1. Although this report is more thoroughly documented than most, it is impossible to make a positive identification of the source of the radar signals. The fact that the radar return was as large as a formation of 2 aircraft, (or 1 large aircraft) at 12 miles, yet was not observed visually at 4000 yards in daylight under good conditions, tends to indicate either equipment malfunction or some other source rather than a material target.
2. The fact that the radar operator's scope and the pilot's scope displayed two different sets of conditions, according to their accounts, would also indicate possible malfunction of the AI radar.

1 Incl
n/c

R L James
Jm GORDON C HOFFMAN, Col, USAF
Chief, AFOIN-4E1

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (if any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

(U) Request for UFO Report Analysis

TO : AFOIN-4E1
ATTN: Mr. James

FROM AFOIN-4E4

DATE 21 Aug 56 COMMENT NO. 1
4E4/Capt Gregory/lc/69216

1. In accordance with established ATIC policies for the analysis of UFO reports, request your review and comments regarding the attached report of a radar UFO.

2. Subject sighting will be tentatively placed in an "unknown" category, pending your written opinions or conclusions.

1 Incl
TT MSG #76H11-2
dtd 18 Aug 56

Henry A. Miley
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AFOIN-4E4

TO RJESEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEPNB/COMDR EADEF STEWART AFB NY

RJEPSON/

DR 32ND AIR DIV (FRL SYR AFS NY

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELL CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR INTELL HQ USAF WAUHINGTON 25 DC

INFO ZEN/COMDR 23RD FTR GP (AD) ATTN: D/O PIAFB ME

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ 76H11-2 PD UFOR PD THE FOLL IAW PAR 7 AFR 200-2 CLN

(1) UNKNOWN CMM EXCEPT (1) BRIGHT RETURN ON SCOPE PD

(2) (A) APPEARED ON RADAR OBSERVERS SCOPE AT TWELVE (12) MILES PD

" " R/O STATES BLIP SIMILAR TO FORMATION OF TWO (2) A/C OR ONE
" " ^{Large} (1) LG A/C PD PLT LOCKED ON PD

(B) LEVEL CMM SIXTY-IVE (65) DEGREES PORT PD

(C) FORTY (40) TO FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREES HIGH CMM SIXTY-FIVE (65)

(D) CROSSED IN FRONT OF A/C CLN A/C ON FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREE

" " ANGLE TO OBJECT (CONVERGING STERN QUARTER) PD

(E) WENT OFF SIDE OF SCOPE AT 4000 (FOUR THOUSAND) YARDS PD

" " NEVER SIGHTED VISUALLY DESPITE PILOTS LOOKING FOR IT PD

(F) THREE (3) MINUTES PD

(3) (A) AIR-ELECTRONIC CLN APG-40 TYPE RADAR PD

" " (B) N/A

(C) F-89-D-75 CMM CALL SIGN BENEFICIAL 28 CMM A/C NUMBER 54259

" " CMM TWENTY THOUSAND (20,000) FEET CMM ONE HUNDRED SIXTY

(160) DEGREES CMM TWO HUNDRED THIRTY (230) KNOTS INDICATED

" " CMM PIAFB PD

(4) (A) 7/1550Z AUG 56 PD

" " (B) DAY PD

(5) UPROX TEN (10) MILES SOUTH SOUTH WEST (SSW) OF SPRAGUEVILLE RADIO

" " ON INITIAL "PICKUP

(6) (A) N/A

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(2) HARVILLE E HOBBS CMA 2/LT CMA 76TH FINCEPTRON CMA RADAR

OBSERVER CMA VERY GOOD PD

(7) (A) CLEAR CMA VISABILITY UNLIMITED CMA SCATTERED CUMULUS PD

" (B) SURFACE CLN SSE AT TWO (2) CLN

" 6000 CLN -20 AT FIVE (5) CLN

12,000 CLN 360 AT TEN (10) CLN

16,000 CLN 330 AT FIVE (5) CLN

20,000 CLN 290 AT TEN (10) CLN

30,000 CLN 290 AT TWENTY-FIVE (25) CLN

50,000 CLN 270 AT FORTY (40) CLN

80,000 CLN UNK AT UNK PD

(C) NONE PD

(D) NINE (9) MILES PD

(E) THREE-TENTHS (3/10THS) CIRRUS BASE AT 30,000 CLN ZERO-TENTHS

" (CONQPTHS) CUMULUS AT 3,500 PD

(F) NEGATIVE PD

(8) N/A PD

(9) N/A PD

(10) NONE PD

(11) TWO (2) F-89D TO WEST AT 25,000 FEET AND 18,000 FEET RESPECTIVELY

" CLN ONE (1) SINGLE ENGINE JET ACFT AT 40,000 FEET AT OVER 600

KNOTS HEADED NORTH FROM SOUTH AND RETURNING SOUTH PD

PILOT

REPORTS CONSTANT TWO HUNDRED THIRTY (230) KNOT OVERTAKE
AND THAT DOT REMAINED ON CENTER OF HIS SCOPE FOR APPROX TWO (2)
MINUTES THEN DRIFTED TO RIGHT. PD RADAR OBSERVER INSISTS TARGET
WAS MOVING AND ESTIMATES SPEED AS OVER FIVE HUNDRED (500)

KNOTS TRUE PD THIS OBSERVATION ELIMINATES THE POSSIBILITY OF UFOR
BEING A WEATHER BALLOON (A BALLOON WAS RELEASED AT CARIBOU WEATHER
STA AT 1535Z) IF OBSERVATION IS CORRECT PD OBSERVATION BELIEVED
VERY PROBABLY CORRECT BY PREPARING OFFICER PD CAUSE OF SIGHTING
THEREFORE COMPLETELY UNKNOWN PD PREPARING OFFICER IS 1ST LT JOHN
B NEWHALL II CMM INTELLIGENCE OFF CMM 76TH FINCEPTRON PD

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18/2144Z AUG RJEPSN

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