# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

**1. DATE**
27 March 1957

**2. LOCATION**
Roswell, New Mexico
105dgr 35'W and 32dgr 15' N

**3. DATE-TIME GROUP**
Local 2035 MST
GMT 28/0335Z

**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**
☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar
XX Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

**5. PHOTOS**
☐ Yes
☒ No

**6. SOURCE**
Military

**7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**
5 -10 seconds

**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**
three

**9. COURSE**
180 dgr

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**
Three objects, about the size of landing lights, circular shaped, color brilliant white. Objs flying a tight formation. Objects were on a cullision course to a C45 a/c at same alt heading towards him. The objs split their form, one disappeared directly overheas while the other two disappeared to the 1:30 position, 2 miles away. Polot of C45 flashed his taxi lights and the objs immediately Uacked themselves out.

**11. COMMENTS**
Current Aero charts show pilot was in middle of air traffic airway (Red 71) into Roswell. Also he was next to a restricted area at the time of sighting. This range is believed now being used for night bombing practice.

**12. CONCLUSIONS**
- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- XX Possibly Aircraft
- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

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UNCLAS ACW-86-205. THE FOLLOWING IS AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT RECEIVED BY LT SONTHEIMER FROM A BASE FLIGHT PILOT.

(1) DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT(S)

(A) 3 VERY BIRLLIANT WHITE LIGHTS CIRCULAR IN SHAPE

(B) ABOUT THE SIZE OF 3 LANDING LIGHTS

(C) BRILLIANT WHITE

(D) 3

(E) FLYING A TIGHT FORMATION

(F) NONE

(G) NOTHING NOTICEABLE



(H) NONE

(I) NONE

(2) DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S)

(A) WHILE LOOKING OUT THE LEFT WINDOW ON A C-45 THE PILOT NOTICED 3 BRIGHT LIGHTS ON A COLLISION COURSE PERPENDICULAR TO HIS LINE OF FLIGHT HEADING TOWARDS HIM.

(B) OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED AT THE SAME ALTITUDE AS THE C-45 ABOUT

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.9 DEGREE FROM HIS LINE OF FLIGHT HEADING TOWARDS HIM. THE C-45 WAS HEADING 027 DEGREE AND THE OBJECTS WERE ON A COURSE OF APPROXIMATELY 180 DEGREE AT ABOUT 10 MILES OUT.

(C) THE OBJECTS SPLIT THEIR FORMATION. ONE DISAPPEARED DIRECTLY ABOVE THE PILOT (APPROX 5000) WHILE THE OTHER TWO DISAPPEARED TO THE 1:30 PTSITION FROM AIRCRAFT AT 2 MILES.

(D) THE PILOT OF THE C-45 CLAIMS THAT WHEN HE REALIZED THE OBJECTS WERE ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH HIM HE IMMEDIATELY FLASHED HIS TAXI LIGHTS ON. ONE OF THE OBJECTS SHOT STRAIGHT UP IN THE AIR ABOVE HIM THE OTHER TWO CONTINUED ON PAST IN FRONT OF THE AIRCRAFT.

(E) WHEN THE PILOT FLASHED HIS TAXI LIGHTS THE OBJECTS IMMEDIATELY BLACKED THEMSELVES OUT THEREBY DISAPPEARING FROM SIGHT.

(F) ABOUT 5-10 SECONDS

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(3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(A) AIR VISUAL

(B) NONE

(C) C-45-H AF10635 9000 FEET 027 DEGREE 150 TAS WAFB

(4) TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(A) 27 MARCH 1957 AT 2035 MST

(B) NIGHT

(5) 105 DEGREE 35 MIN W 32 DEGREE 15 MIN N

(6) IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVER(S)

(A) N/A

(B) 1ST LT JIMMY L CORNWELL A03255?1 6TH DOW (SPECIAL WEAPONS) WAFB. SPICIAL WEAPONS INSTRUCTOR. RELIABILITY UNKNOWN.

(7). WEATHER AND WINDS-ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS

(A) WEATHER WAS CLEAR WITH 60 MILES PLUS VISIBILITY WINDS WERE FROM

350 DEGREE AT 20 KNOTS.

(B) SURFACE - SE7 20,000 - 35/34

6,000 - 30/15 30,000 - 35/50

10,000 - 32/10 50,000 - 31/55

16,000 - 33/25 80,000 - 24/15

(C) NONE



(D) 35

(E) CLEAR

(F) NONE

(G) NONE

(9) NEGATIVE TAC ACTION

(10) NONE

(11) CAPT WILLIAM M BOWEN NO ANALYSIS

(12) NONE

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None Taken?

Taken and no a/c found in area?

Ev. Cord Comment:

Current Aero charts show pilot was in middle of Air Traffic Airway (Red 71) into Powell. Also, he was next to a "restricted area" at the time of sighting. This [illegible]

Possibly a/c, (although if single object evidence may have been given below as the next and the direction of object element indicated).

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