PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5- 7 October 1957	**2. LOCATION** Tocumen Tower, Panama C.Z.	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Venus. ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1823 06/0005Z GMT 07/2323Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar Binoculars ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Tower Operator, Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 hour, 17 minutes	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** 255 dgr AZ

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

A round, intensely white object approximately 20 inches in diameter was sighted 23 dgrs above horizon and appeared to be falling slowly.

11. COMMENTS

Astro plot, using observers information (azimuth, elevation, and time) indicates that the planet Venus was at almost the exact position given.

Confirmed by TWX fm Panama Canal Zone as Venus.

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UNCLAS/FROM OIN K-1058

FOB

1A. ROUND

1B. REPORTS RANGEFROM SOFT BALL TO TWO FEET IN DIAMETER

1C. INTENSE BRIGHT YELLOW LIGHT

1D. ONE

1E. N/A

1F. NONE

1G. NONE

1H. NONE

As seen through binoculars. Thus, noted would be much smaller

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1I. INTENSITY OF LIGHT

2A. CONTROL OPERATOR AT TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REPUBLIC OF PANAMA, SCANNING SKY NOTED LIGHT XX

Low on horizon, see TWX following (attached)

2B. 0005Z MEASURED TWENTY DEGREES ON CLINOMETER WEST SOUTH WEST TOCEMEN.

2C. 0121Z MESURED 05 DEGREES WEST SOUTH WEST.

2D. FALLING SLOWLY TO HORIZON

2E. ENTERED CLOUD

Important: Note the +16 min in sight!

2F. ONE HOUR SIXTEEN MINUTES

3A. GROUND VISUAL

3B. 7X50 BINOCULARS

3C. N/A

4A. 060005Z TO 060121Z

4B. NIGHT

5. TOCUMEN TOWER AND ALBROOK AFB

6A. J[redacted] AGE 39 SAN FRANACISCO STREET [redacted] PANAMA CITY

R.;0. TOWER OPERATOR

6B. 1ST LT JOSEPH WOLF

CAPT DALLAS

AMN 3/C WILLIAM E NIGHT

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AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS 1978 AACS SQ

RELIABLE

7A. WIND CALM CUMULUS DISSAPATINSIBILITY UNLIMITED

7B. SURFACE CALM 6000 - 170/6 ; 10,000 - 140/11 ; 16,000 - 120/6 ; 20,000 - CALM ; 30,000 - 290/6 ; 50,000 - 030/0U. UNLIMITED

7E. THIN BROKEN

7F. 100 MILES TO NORTHEAST

8. NONE

9. RADA

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JEDQP H106 WPB012YDA004 TYB014STDB005ZCATA009ZCLPA014

PP RJEDEN RJEDWP RJEPHQ

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P 070318Z

FM COMDR CAIRC ALBROOK AFB CZ

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLOO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER WPAFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASHDC

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UNCLASSIFIED IN K-1059. UFOB; 1A ROUND; 1B APPROX 20 INCHES; 1C INTENSE WHITE; 1D ONE; 1E N/A; 1F NONE; 1G NONE; 1H NONE; 1I INTENSITY OF LIGHT; 2A TOWER OPERATOR AT TOCUMEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SCANNING SKY. SIGHTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE SAME OBJECT REPORTED 5 OCTOBER 57 IN CAIRC TWX OIN K1058; 2B 062323Z AT 23 DEGREES ELEVATION, 255 DEGREES AZIMUTH; 2C 070040Z AT 13 DEGREES ELEVATION, 255 DEGREES AZIMUTH; 2D 255 DEGREES AZIMUTH, APPEARED TO BE FALLING SLOWLY; 2E ENTERED CLOUD; 2F ONE HOUR SEVENTEEN MINUTES; 3A GROUND VISUAL; 3B 7X50 BINOCULARS; 3C N/A; 4A 072323Z; 4B DUSK; 5 TOCUMEN TOWER; 6A [redacted] 39; SAN

Very close to horizon in SW

Note times

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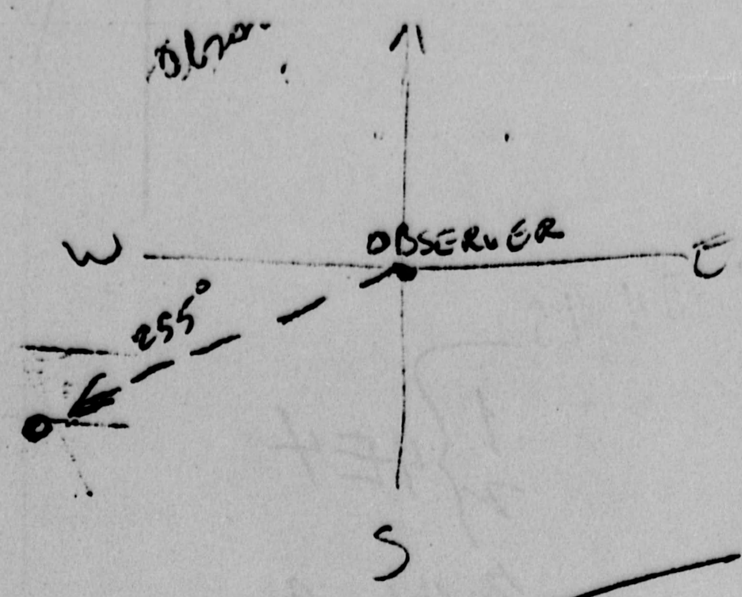

One hr and 17 minutes in sight.

Ecliptic

2323 − 5 = 1823 (6:23 pm)

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FRANCISCO [redacted], PANAMA CITY, 6B N/A; 7A Ø61900R CEILING 15000 FEET, SCATTERED, HIGH OVERCAST, VISIBILITY 12 MILES, WINDS CALM. 7B AT SURFACE 320/6, 6000 - 270/6, 10000 - 230/4, 16000 - 200/10, 20000 - 170/12, 30000 - 140/6, 50000 - 080/8; 1900R OBSERVATION; 7C 15000 FEET; 7D 12 MILES; 7E 7 TO 8 TENTHS, 7F SCATTERED CUMULUS EAST OF ALBROOK AFB AT 4000 FEET; 8 NONE ; 9 AD RADAR SITE CONTACTED AND ASKED TO SEARCH AREA - RESULTS NEGATIVE; 10 NO IFR IN AREA IN QUESTION; 11 DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, CAIRC; NO EXPLAINATION, THIS IS SECOND NIGHT IN ROW SAME SIGHTING HAS BEEN REPORTED, REFERENCE CAIRC OIN K1058. 12 NONE.

BT

07/0338Z OCT RJLPC

Confirmed as Venus by TWX, dtd 9 Oct 57 from Albrook AFB C.2

Comment: An astro plot using the observers info (azimuth, elevation & time) indicates that the planet Venus was at almost the exact position given: The star Antares was also nearby. As with the moon, when near the horizon, Venus appears exceptionally large - particularly under some weather conditions. Numerous reports from reliable observers mistaking Venus.

Prob. cases Venus

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07/2323Z

1 Witness

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TO RJEDEN/COMDR ENT AFB COLO

INFO RJEDWP/COMDR ATIC WPAFB OHIO

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UNCLASFROM OIN-K-1Ø3.

REFERENCE HEADQUARTERS, Air Research and Development Command UFOB MESSAGES OIN K1Ø58 AND K1Ø59, OBJECT INDENTIFIED AS PLANET VENUS.

BT

Ø9/2Ø35Z OCT RJLPNK

REF CAIRN

Dr. B. Sim: Check UFO reports? Check

Hallelujah! Somebody answered me for us. Ole Thus

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