

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <b>10-12 December 1957</b>		2. LOCATION <b>Duncanville, Texas</b>		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input checked="" 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 <b>6:15 to 8:15 CST</b> GMT <b>10/0230Z</b>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <b>BX &amp; Telescope</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE <b>Civilian</b>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <b>2 hrs/10½ hours</b>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <b>one</b>		9. COURSE <b>E to W</b>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <b>One object described as 3 connered star size of grapefruit as seen through binoculars, color white, green &amp; blue. Object had points as an antenna. Object moved 45 dgr. E to W in 2 hrs.</b>				11. COMMENTS <b>ATIC conclusion this sighting probably Venus.</b>	

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)



COVER SHEET										SUSPENSE					
ORIGIN OF BASIC										DATE					
										ASSIGNED BY					
DATE				TYPE				NO.							
SUBJECT  <b>Report on, and Return of UFO Motion Picture Film - Mrs. [REDACTED],            Dallas 30, Texas</b>															
ROUTING															
<i>Initial "IN" column to denote review prior to action. Initial "OUT" column to denote review of completed action. (X for action; ✓ for coordination.)</i>															
IN	OFFICE	OUT	IN	OFFICE	OUT	IN	OFFICE	OUT	IN	OFFICE	OUT	IN	OFFICE	OUT	
	OIN-1			OIN-2			OIN-3			OIN-4			AFOIN		
	OIN-1X			OIN-2X			OIN-3X			OIN-4X			AFOIN-X		
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													AFOIN-Z		
													CABLES		
													FILE		
													DISPATCH		
TO: <b>SAFIS-3, Major Tacker</b>										DATE <b>25 June 1958</b>					
FROM: <b>AFCIN-4E</b>										COMMENT NO. <i>James J. Ballou</i> <b>AFCIN-4E4g/Capt Gregory/ko/69216</b>					
COMMENTS (Use reverse, if necessary)															
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Subject film was reviewed by this Center.</li> <li>2. Returned to owner through your office, in accordance with paragraph 8 and 19 c, AFR 200-2.</li> <li>3. The following are submitted to assist you in making a reply:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A careful review of the film, together with the data submitted establishes that the object was definitely Venus.</li> <li>b. Significant to note that Mrs. [REDACTED] observed the object for two (2) full hours. During this period the object moved from 180 to 270 degrees, at an elevation of approximately 40 degrees. This is almost the precise track and elevation of Venus for that two-hour period.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>															



Cover Sheet, Cmt #1, dated 25 June 58 to SAFIS-3, Major Tacker, Subj: Report on and return of UFO Motion Picture Film - Mrs. [REDACTED], Dallas 30, Texas (Continued)

c. Venus was so bright during the month of December that all of the major newspapers, as well as scientific journals, commented on its size and brilliancy. Press clippings, attached, will emphasize this. Suggest that clippings with a note of thanks for her precise data which helped us identify the object, should also be included in your reply.

4. Request copy of your letter to be forwarded to the 745th ACW Sqdn., Duncansville, Texas, to indicate that the owner's request for the return of the film, has been complied with.

2 Incls:

1. 50 ft. 8mm  
Kodak Film
2. Cy, 2 press  
Clippings

*Nicholas Post*

NICHOLAS POST  
Assistant Deputy  
Science and Components



11-12  
Multi

13 DEC 57 08 16

11 DEC

Balloon

17 28  
2/4E4  
34x22  
~~34x22~~

SQH050SQB173 YDB114 WYC100 WDA118HWA044

PP RJEDDN RJEDWP RJEPHQ

DE RJWFHW 5Q

P 121800Z

FM COMDR 745TH ACWRON DUNCANVILLE AF STA TEX

TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC

RJWFHW/COMDR 33D ADIV

RJEDWP/COMDR ATIC

RJEPHQ/DIR INT HQ USAF WASH DC

BT

UNCLAS INT 12-436. SUBJECT: UFOB.

A) 1. ROUND (HALF MOON)

2. SILVER DOLLAR

3. SILVER

4. ONE

5. N/A

6. NONE

7. NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

157 DEC 12  
15:44  
at the phone



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B) 1. JET AIRCRAFT IN AREA

2. 190 DEGREE ANGLE OF ELEV. 185 DEGREE AZIMUTH.

3. N/A 240 DEGREE AZIMUTH

4. EAST TO WEST (IN ARC)

5. STILL IN SIGHTING AT TIME OF REPORT

6. 10 1/2 HRS.

*Looking at eye it for 15 1/2 hrs*

*Amazing!*

*and could not identify? Amazing?*

*long to power*

C) 1. GROUND VISUAL

2. BINOCULARS 6X 50 TELESCOPE 32 X

3. N/A

D) 1. 11 DEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEC GQYPPZ TO 12 DEC 0230Z

2. DAY DUSK AND NIGHT

E) 1. GOC OBSERVER POST GRANBURY, TEXAS

F) 1. [REDACTED] 35, [REDACTED] TEXAS MANUFACTURER.

2. [REDACTED], JR. S/SGT 4768TH GOC SQDN. INSTRUCTOR,

RELIABLE.

G) 1. CLEAR UNLIMITED VISABILITY

2. 5000-251 DEGREE-25, 1000-231 DEGREE-40, 1500-231 DEGREE 60,

2000-231 DEGREE 65, 3000-311 DEGREE-90 5000-291 DEGREE-80,

8000-UNK.

3. CLEAR

4. 15

5. ZERO

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H) 1. NONE

I) 1. AF 18312 C-46 WAS DIVERTED TO AREA OF SIGHTING BUT OBSERVED NOTHING.

J) 1. UNK.

K) AIR SURV. OFFICER W/O (W-1) POSSIBLY BALLOON LAUNCHED FROM VERNALIS, CALIF ON 10 DEC 2330.

L) N/A

BT

12/1840Z DEC RJWFHW

NAS Charts Show  
Correct?

this  
Balloon

(How? OBJECT MOVING EAST TO WEST IN WIDE Sounds)



745TH ACW SQUADRON (ADC)  
United States Air Force  
Duncanville Air Force Station  
Duncanville, Texas

OPS

26 DEC 1957

SUBJECT: Transmittal of U.F.O.B. Film.

TO: C o m m a n d e r  
ATTN: Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Ohio

Transmitted herewith is fifty (50) feet of undeveloped 8 mm movie film taken 12 December 6:15 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Est. of a U.F.O.B.. This is believed to be the same U.F.O.B. as reported in unclassified mag. Int (12-436) SUBJECT: U.F.O.B., dtg. 12 December 1957. If convenient request you return film or a copy of it.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Not same object on film.  
Too bright and steady for  
balloon.*

Incl:  
Fifty (50) feet of undeveloped 8 mm film.

WALTER B. STEVENS  
1st Lt., USAF  
Adjutant



COR	COORDINATION
	AFCIN-4
FILE	
	AFCIN-4X2b
OFFICIAL	AFCIN-4E4
	SUBJECT: Transmittal of U.F.O.B. Film
10	AFCIN-4X2c
	TO:
4	AFCIN-4X3
	AFCIN-4X4
4	AFCIN-4X5
	AFCIN-4A
4	AFCIN-4B
	AFCIN-4C
4	AFCIN-4D
	AFCIN-4E
4	AFCIN-4F
	OTHERS

FILE CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICIAL FILE COPY

OFFICE OF RECORD

10 MAR 1958

Commander  
745TH ACW Squadron (ADC)  
Duncanville Air Force Station  
Duncanville, Texas

1. Request this Center be informed of action taken or contemplated regarding request for UFO film, see copies attached correspondence.

2. No study or analysis can be performed without this material. Reference paragraphs 4c and 6b, AFR 200-2 dated 5 February 1958.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*N. K. Gilbert*  
H. K. GILBERT  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Science  
and Components

1 Incl:  
cc 1st Ind dtd  
9 Jan 58 w/cc  
BL dtd 28 Dec 57

1 VEY J.O. Bolten 7 Mar 58  
2 VEY H. Miley 7 Mar 58

DISCLOSED

PERM	
TEMP	
90 DAYS	
INITIAL	



745TH ACW SQUADRON (ADC)  
United States Air Force  
Duncanville Air Force Station  
Duncanville, Texas

OPS

18 MAR 1958

SUBJECT: Transmittal of U.F.O.B. Film

TO: C o m m a n d e r  
ATTN: Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Ohio

1. Transmitted herewith is fifty (50) feet of developed 8 mm movie film taken 12 December 6:15 to 6:30 PM cst of a U.F.O.B..

2. Reference your letter 10 March 1958, the film was not included due to an error in mailing. The film was sent to Eastman Kodak Company in Dallas by mistake.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Walter B. Stevens*  
WALTER B. STEVENS

1st Lt. USAF

Administrative Off.

Incl:

Fifty (50) feet of developed 8 mm film.

*Sgt B:  
Check and  
tie in with  
our message*

*Arrived 429(z)  
1510 PM  
Friday*



JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <b>Unclassified</b>			
SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER							
PRECEDENCE		TYPE MSG (Check)			ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO	CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE
ACTION INFO		BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE			
FROM:						SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	
TO:							
<p>to some people, was at its peak during hours given.</p> <p>Matter considered serious, as large number of UFO accusations against Air Force generally involve motion picture film, with charges <sup>not</sup> <del>USAF</del> <sup>is</sup> <del>accusing</del> hiding facts or withholding truth of analyses. In reply refer to Duncansville Case - 12 Dec 57.</p> <p>COORDINATION:</p> <p>AFCIN-4E4 <u><i>H. Miley</i></u> DATE <u>26 mar 58</u> Dr. Miley</p> <p>AFCIN-4E <u><i>Mr. Post</i></u> DATE <u>3/26</u> Mr. Post</p>							
						DATE 26	TIME 1200
						MONTH MAR	YEAR 58
WRITING	SYMBOL				SIGNATURE		
	AFCIN-4E4g				<i>Mary C. Markevich</i>		
	TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature if required) GEORGE T. GREGORY, CAPT., USAF				TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE		
	PHONE 6-9216      PAGE NR. 2      NR. OF PAGES 2				MARY C. MARKEVICH 1st Lt., USAF Assistant Administrative Officer		
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <b>Unclassified</b>							



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JOINT MESSAGEFORM			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <b>Unclassified</b>		
SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER					
26 MAR 58 22 24					
PRECEDENCE		TYPE MSG (Check)		ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO
ACTION ROUTINE		BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	Msg dtd
INFO				AF	26 Dec 57
FROM:					CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE
COMDR, ATIC					UNCL
TO:					SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
COMDR, 745TH ACW SQDN (ADC), DUNCANVILLE AFB, DUNCANVILLE, TEX.					
UNCLASSIFIED/AFCIN-4E4 3-572-E					
<p>Reference your basic ltr, 18 Mar 58, submitting color UFO motion picture film, and your previous Msg dtd 26 Dec 57, original letter of transmittal, which did not include film. Request compliance with USAF Reg. AFR 200-2, dtd 5 Feb 58. Film studied. Intelligence analyst cannot perform analysis of mere speck against black background, without UFO report. Data, such as, directions, bearings, elevations, azimuths of object, among others, required. Even name of source not known, although some name on film box.</p> <p>UFO report referenced in your 26 Dec 57 Msg not related to this sighting. Preliminary review of film leaves some question as to source's credibility and/or motives. For your info only, and not to be used in recontact and interview of source, for UFO info required by this Center: object definitely photographed from moving, vibrating platform. During that period most U.S. papers reported that Venus, brightest in years and could appear weird, large to</p>					
DATE			TIME		
MAR			58		
MONTH			YEAR		



4E4  
MD

745TH ACW SQUADRON (ADC)  
United States Air Force  
Duncanville Air Force Station  
Duncanville, Texas

INT

28 MAR 1958

SUBJECT: UFOB Report

TO: Commander  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Ohio

1. UFO: Reference your message AFCIN-4E4 3-572-E the information requested is as follows.

a. Description of the Object.

- (1) Three cornered star and would change the number of points. Closer to earth than star.
- (2) Grape fruit. ← Important: See item (c. (2))  
(Size estimated - 45 seen through binoculars)
- ✓ (3) White, green and blue; then with binoculars - blue, green and white.
- (4) (one).
- (5) N/A.
- (6) Has points like antennas. ✓
- (7) No.
- (8) No.
- (9) Object looked like it had antennas which were being put out and taken in.

b. Description of course of object.

- (1) a very bright object in the sky.
  - (2) 40° elevation - 180° azimuth.
  - (3) 40° elevation - 270° azimuth.
  - (4) East to west. It would float around and then would return to original orbit.
- 2 hrs.  
This object moved only 45 degrees in 2 (repeat) 2 hours (see item d.)







1. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs.

- (1) One 8mm roll of movie film which you now have.
- (2) Wollensak camera - 8mm movie type.
- (3) Telephoto.
- (4) Kodak type "A" outdoor color film.
- (5) N/A.
- (6) F 1.9.
- (7) None.
- (8) None.
- (9) N/A.
- (10) Camera pointing up and due south at 40° angle.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Charles L. Walker*  
CHARLES L. WALKER  
1st Lt. USAF  
Admin. Off.



**Request for Copy - Colored Motion Picture "UFO" Film**

**AFCIN-4D2a**

**AFCIN-4E**

**4 Apr 58**

**AFCIN-4E4/Capt Gregroy/ko  
Ext 6-9216/Bldg. 263**

1. In accordance with a recently released AF Policy, all UFO film, negatives, prints and other photographic material must be returned to the owners as soon as possible. Reference AFR 200-2 dated 5 Feb 1958.

2. As a copy of all photographs and film is required in the Air Force "UFO Case Files," request a copy of attached film be made and returned to this office as expeditiously as possible.

1 Incl:  
8mm Film  
(50 Ft., Colored, Kodak)

**NICHOLAS POST  
Assistant Deputy  
AFCIN-4E**

AFCIN-4E4-48446 C4



1957

SAFIS-3/Maj. Tacker. cf/73328/2 July 1958

a 2 July 1958

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your unidentified flying object report of 12 December 1957 and the 8mm motion picture film you submitted to support this sighting. I am returning your film herewith.

A careful analysis of the precise data submitted established that the object was definitely the planet Venus.

For your information I am inclosing a copy of the latest Department of Defense Fact Sheet, dated 5 November 1957, on unidentified flying objects, together with copies of December 1957 news clippings emphasizing the seasonal brilliance of Venus at that time.

Sincerely,

Incls

LAWRENCE J. TACKER  
Major, USAF  
Executive Officer  
Public Information Division  
Office of Information Services

Mrs. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

SAFIS-3 COMEBACK CY  
SAFIS-1 READING CY



1 REEL OF 8mm MOTION  
PICTURE FILM OF  
UFO SIGHTING AT  
DUNCANVILLE, TEXAS

UNCLASSIFIED