

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 Apr 59	2. LOCATION San Antonio, Texas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 18/0100Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE West	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rectangular obj w/front slightly pointed & long slender tail. Size of orange. Color similar to bright yellow flame.		11. COMMENTS Probably a/c under unfamiliar conditions.	

Headquarters
LACKLAND MILITARY TRAINING CENTER (ATC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Lackland Air Force Base, Texas

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O-BT

SUBJECT: Report of UFO

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

1. The following information is submitted in accordance with Paragraph 4, Air Force Regulation 200-2.

a. Description of Object:

- (1) Shape: Rectangular, forward portion slightly pointed; long, slender tail on rear.
- (2) Size: Approximately the size of an orange held at arm's length.
- (3) Color: Similar to that of a bright yellow flame.
- (4) Number: One.
- (5) Formation: N/A.
- (6) Features or Details: Observer stated object in no way resembled the configuration of an aircraft.
- (7) Tail, Trail or Exhaust: Ten or more times the length of body, color slightly lighter. The tail mentioned in (1) above may have been an exhaust or trail.
- (8) Sound: None.
- (9) Other Pertinent or unusual Features: None observed.

b. Description of Course of Object:

- (1) Observer was riding in front right seat of 1959 Ford. The mother of observer first called attention to the object.
- (2) Object when first observed appeared to be in a north northwest position at an elevation of 45 degrees from the horizon.
- (3) Object disappeared behind trees approximately

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due west of observer.

(4) Course of Object reported as northerly curving downward, then changing to a course directly downward toward the earth and eventually curving and traveling slowly in a southern direction.

(5) Object appeared to become fainter and disappeared behind grove of trees.

(6) Object reported to be visible for approximately 15 minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

- (1) Ground visual.
- (2) Optical aids none.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

- (1) 0100 Zulu. *1800 Local*
- (2) Light conditions: Evening, sunset.

e. Location of Observer:

- (1) 29° 28' north, 98° 22' west.
- (2) At approximately [REDACTED] N W.W. White Road, San Antonio, Texas.

f. Identifying Information on Observers:

- (1) Civilian.
 - (a) [REDACTED]
 - (b) 22.
 - (c) [REDACTED] San Antonio, Texas.
 - (d) Housewife.
- (2) Civilian.
 - (a) [REDACTED]

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(b) 49 years.

(c) ~~REDACTED~~, San Antonio, Texas.

(d) Teacher.

g. Weather and Winds Aloft:

(1) Observer's Account: Slightly cloudy, visibility good.

(2) Report from Air Weather Service:

(a) Wind Direction and Velocity:

1. Surface, ^E090 degrees, seven knots.
2. 6,000 feet, ^{WSW}250 degrees, 25 to 30 knots.
3. 10,000 feet, ^{WSW}250 degrees, 25 to 30 knots.
4. 18,000 feet, ^{SSW}220 degrees, 20 knots.
5. 25,000 feet, ^W260 degrees, 50 knots.
6. 35,000 feet, ^W260 degrees, 65 knots.
7. 50,000 feet, ^{WSW}250 degrees, 75 knots.

(3) Ceiling 4,000, scattered; 12,000, scattered.

(4) Visibility 10 miles.

(5) Cloud Cover, 3/10ths.

(6) Towering cumulus to the south.

h. Numerous searchlights are used by commercial establishments in San Antonio for the purpose of advertising. There is a possibility that one of these lights may account for this report.

i. None.

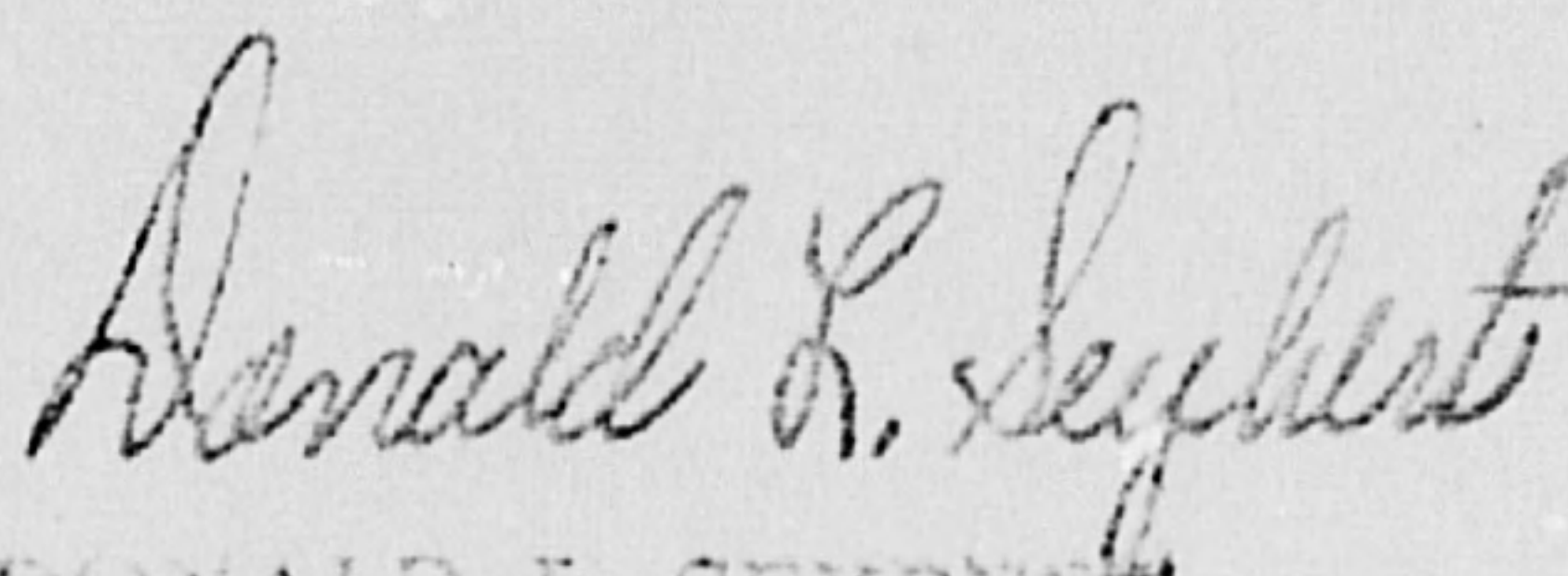
j. This area experiences considerable traffic, both conventional and jet aircraft, at all times of the day.

k. Intelligence Officer, Lackland Military Training Center, Captain R. H. McGregor, received information regarding this report at approximately 0900 CST, 20 April. The original report was

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received by the Staff Duty Officer, Friday evening, 17 April 1959. The use of advertising searchlights and the heavy aircraft traffic in this area lead the reporting officer to believe that the object observed was probably either a searchlight playing on clouds or an aircraft in the area at the time. The probability of the object being an aircraft is further strengthened by the fact that many Air Training Command aircraft located in the vicinity have bright orange fluorescent markings which can be seen for great distances.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



DONALD L. SEYBERT
Captain, USAF
Asst Adjutant

JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED			
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COORDINATION:							
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FOR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER. YOUR AFCIN-4E-G-4-269-E.

REFERENCE LETTER THIS HEADQUARTERS DATED 23 MARCH 1959 SUBJ: REPORT
OF UFO. PARAGRAPH 1D(1) STATES 0100 ZULU. PARAGRAPH 1K STATES
17 APRIL 1959.

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may friend

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