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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5 April, 1960	2. LOCATION 2 mi W of Loogootee, Indiana	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 06/0130-0200	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10-15 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE South

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Yellow-red light, approximately a foot in diameter and two feet long passed in front of auto, coming from behind a group of trees and disappearing behind a hill. The object seemed to be about 300 ft above the ground and traveled at a slow rate of speed.

11. COMMENTS

Due to lack of additional witnesses and the incompleteness of the data this case is listed as insufficient data.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

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U. S. NAVAL AMMUNITION DEPOT
CRANE, INDIANA

IN REPLY REFER TO:
102-GSM:mlt
3820

APR 15 1960

From: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Ammunition Depot, Crane, Indiana
To: Commanding Officer, Bakalar Air Force Base, Columbus, Indiana

Subj: Unidentified Flying Object; report of

Ref: (a) 9ND INST 3820.1A of 2 Feb 1956

1. It has been brought to my attention that an unidentified flying object has been sighted by a civilian employee of NAD Crane, Indiana. The details of the sighting are as follows:

a. Between 0130 and 0200 (Zulu Time) on 6 April 1960, [redacted] age 46, who resides at [redacted], Loogootee, Indiana, and employed in the Quality Evaluation Laboratory as an Engineering Technician, GS-11 (Pay No. 1067), was driving east on Highway 50, about 2 miles west of Loogootee. There were no other passengers in the car. This is approximately 84°-30' North Latitude and 37° -15' West Longitude. A yellow-red light, approximately a foot in diameter and two feet long passed in front of him from left to right. The light came from behind a group of trees, passed over the highway and behind a hill to the right. The direction of travel was north to south. The object seemed to be about 300 feet above the ground, traveling at a slow rate of speed. It was visible for approximately 10 to 15 seconds.

b. He further reports that the sighting occurred between dusk and nightfall. Both visibility and weather conditions were clear. He saw no air traffic in the vicinity. He heard no sound from the object, nor did he see a tail or exhaust trail on it.

c. The weather station located at the Fire Department on the Depot reports that the wind was from the West at 5 miles per hour at approximately the same time that the sighting took place.

2. No other reports of this light have been called to my attention.

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Ltr, USNAD, Crane, Ind., 15 Apr 60, Unidentified Flying Object, report of

1st Ind (DO)

434th TCW, Bakalar AFB, Columbus, Indiana 25 APR 1960

TO: Cmdr, Bunker Hill AFB, Peru, Indiana

1. The foregoing reported sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object is forwarded to your station, the active Air Force base closest to the reported sighting, for investigation in accordance with para 4b, AFR 200-2.

2. Bakalar AFB is an Air Reserve Base, in accordance with ConAC Plan for Air Reserve Flying Units (Air Reserve Technicians) and message, Headquarters USAF, AFPDC 47324, 5 July 1957, with limited area support responsibilities due to the restricted ART manning. Assumption of responsibility in this type of investigation is paralleled in para 19a, AFR 62-14, which provides for the nearest Air Force base commander with technically qualified personnel and proper equipment assuming the investigating responsibility, excluding ANG and AFRes.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Myron D. Hamilton

MYRON D. HAMILTON
Captain AFRes
Asst Administrative Officer

Cpy furnished to:

Hqs, Tenth AF (DCS/O)

29 APR 1960

2nd Ind (BDCO)

305 Bomb Wg, Bunker Hill AFB, Peru, Indiana

TO: Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. The UFO Report contained in the basic letter is forwarded without further action because of the time lapse since date of reported sighting, the detailed information included in the basic letter, and since the reported sighting apparently was not confirmed or supported by other individuals or by any tangible evidence.

2. The town of Loogootee, Indiana is located on the Western edge of the Hoosier National Park at the junction of US Route 50 and 231, approximately 35 miles East of Vincennes, Indiana.

3. If further information or investigative action is desired please advise.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Robert D. Johnson

ROBERT D. JOHNSON
Lt Col, USAF
Base Deputy Commander, Operations

April 6; Loogootee, Indiana — A large yellow-red UFO which crossed the highway from north to south ahead of his car was reported by John V. Hand, a civilian employee (GS-11) of the Navy. Mr. Hand, an engineering technician, said the UFO travelled slowly, leaving no exhaust and making no audible sound. The UFO was elongated horizontally and roughly elliptical in shape. It was seen in a clear sky between dusk and nightfall, and remained visible for 10-15 seconds. The Naval Station reported no sighting to the Air Force.

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location 2 miles West of Loogootee, Indiana

Date 6 April 1960 Hour (Z) 0130-0200Z

WX Clear, winds West at 5 MPH

Description Yellow-red light, about a foot in diameter and two feet long passed in front of the observer, appeared from behind a group of trees and crossed the highway at about 300' alt moving very slow, visible for about 10 to 15 seconds, size of object was about 1' dia and 2' long

Direction of Motion South

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) Ruled out

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) Poss a meteor-however, the duration was excessive for the terrain from which it was seen

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) None

Natural Phemomena (Ball Lightning, etc) Ruled out

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. Ruled out

Other Insufficient Data (1 witness)

Evaluation of Source Reliability Poss reliable

Analysis and Conclusions: It is possible that the witness saw a meteor; however, the duration was excessive for type of terrain in the area. Due to the lack of corroborating witnesses, this report is evaluated as insufficient data, 1 witness.