PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 13 August 1963	**2. LOCATION** Smithland, Iowa	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Jupiter/Venus ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical Capella ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 14/0445Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION still visible, 1 hr, 1 hr and 45 min	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** In NNE moving SSE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

White circular object still in sight after almost 2 hrs. Initial observation in NNE with object appearing to move to the SSE with an increase in altitude. Object seemed to glow brighter with movement. Moved up and down, but never more than 1 ft. in any direction.

CAPELLA WOULD APPEAR TO MOVE SOUTH BUT STILL BE IN NE. JUPITER WHICH IN EAST WOULD APPEAR TO MOVE SE. OBJECT ONE OF THESE TWO ASTRO BODIES.

11. COMMENTS

Jupiter is in East (azimuth 80 deg) and moving slowly South toward the SE however, never exceeding 30deg elevation. Probable some distortion in estimates on direction and elevation. Object reported is characteristic of an Astro body and Jupiter is in the East and very bright. ~~Case evaluated as Jupiter~~.

CAPELLA AT 30° AZIMUTH 5° ELEVATION MOVING TO SOUTH RISING TO 20° ELEVATION 45° AZ. AFTER 1 HR. 45 MIN.

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INCOMING

AFIN : 19606 (15 Aug 63) X/atj

ACTION : NIN-9

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-4, SAF-OS-3, DIA-25, DIA-CIIC-2 (45)

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FOR ADOIN AT ADC; 29 OIN AT 29 AIR DIV; ACF AT AFSC; AFNIN AT USAF; SACIO AT OSAF. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT (UFO). THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2.

UFO

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

(1) CIRCULAR

(2) SIZE OF A SOFTBALL

(3) WHITE

(4) ONE (1)

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(5) N/A.

(6) NONE; SEEM TO GLOW BRIGHTER WITH MOVEMENT

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

(1) CHANCE SIGHTING

(2) 45 DEGREES

(3) OBJECT WAS OBSERVABLE AT TIME REPORT WAS TAKEN

(4) MOVED UP AND DOWN LEFT AND RIGHT BUT NO MORE THAN ESTIMATED 1 FT IN EACH DIRECTION.

(5) AT TIME OF REPORT OBJECT WAS STILL OBSERVABLE

(6) 1 HOUR TO 1 HOUR AND 45 MIN.

C. MANNER OBSERVATION

(1) VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) 14/ 0445Z

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS

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(1) 42 DEGREES 20' N 95 DEGREES 50'W

(2) 3 MIN SE SMITHLAND IOWA

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON ALL OBSERVERS

(1) MR AND MRS [redacted] IOWA FARMER

(2) N/A

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING

(1) CLEAR WITH BROKEN CLOUDS

(2) SURFACE NNW AT 3 KTS

10000	350 DEGREES	AT 20
15000	350 DEGREES	AT 20
20000	340 DEGREES	AT 25
30000	300 DEGREES	AT 33
50000	300 DEGREES	AT 25

(3) NONE (CLEAR)

(4) 10 MILES

(5) 5000 FT SCATTERED

(6) NONE

(7) PLUS 10C AT 10000 FT, 1 DEGREES C AT 15000 FT, -10 DEGREES C 20000 FT, -23 DEGREES C AT 25000 FT, -36 DEGREES AT 30000 FT, -57 DEGREES C AT 40000 FT, -62 DEGREES C AT 50000.

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H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN AREA

(1) NONE

(2) NONE

(3) NONE

I. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN

(1) NONE

J. LOCATION OR KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA AT TIME OR SIGHTING.

(1) 1 AC N SIOUX CITY HAEADED EAST 1 AC BETWEEN SIOUX CITY AND OMAHA NEBRASKA HEADING SOUTH.

K. BASED ON AVAILABLE INFORMATION NO EXPLANATION IS OFFERED. ANDREW R. DAVIS, 2ND LT USAF, INTELLIGENCE OFFICER SIOUX CITY AIR DEFENSE SECTOR (SCODC-I)

L. (1) NONE

(2) NONE

M. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE IN THE NE MOVING SSE. WHEN OBJECT MOVED, MOVEMENT FAVORED A HIGHER ALTITUDE AND EASTWARD HORIZIONAL DIRECTION.

N. (1) NONE

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