PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 11 August 65 12/0600Z	2. LOCATION Prospect Heights, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (CAPELLA) Object at 30 deg elevation in NE moving to the East and rising 20 degrees in two hours. Object in the position of CAPELLA. Object characterisitic of observation of Astro Body.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Hours	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object like a star too far off to show details. Flashing red green and white. At 60 deg elevation, azimuth not determined. Object moving West to East, No manuvers. Still in sight at time of report. Watched for 2 hours. Colors consistant with those reported for CAPELLA.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Rising, East	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

11 Aug 65

Mrs. Hunt/man/SAFOICC/72842/20 Sep 65

SEP 20 1965

Dear Mr. [redacted]

This is in reply to your report of an aerial object which you observed on the night of 11 August 1965.

It has been determined by our investigation office that the object which you observed was the star Capella. This star was in the northeast at the time of your observation. The colors reported are those associated with this star.

Thank you for submitting your report to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

JOHN P. SPAULDING
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Mr. [redacted]
Prospect Heights, Illinois

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HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

SEP 14 1965

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting, 11 Aug 65, Prospect Heights, Illinois

TO: Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

Reference the attached unidentified flying object report from the Christianson family. The object which they observed on the night of 11 August 1965 has been evaluated as the star Capella. This star was in the northeast at the time of their observation; the position which they gave for the unidentified object. The colors reported are those associated with this astronomical object.

FOR THE COMMANDER

ERIC T de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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11 Aug 65, Prospect Heights,
Ill case (Christianson)

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11 AUG 12/0600Z
ASTRO (CAPECA)

COMBAT READINESS TRAINING OPERATIONS
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
Chicago, Illinois 60666

SUBJECT: U.F.O. 12 August 1965

A. Description of the object:

1. Would you please describe object's shape Almost like a star, too far off to show any shape. Flashing red, flashing green, flashing white.

2. Size as compared to a known object held in the hand at about arm's length. (Such as a pea, dime, nickel, baseball, etc.) Smaller than a pea at arms length.

3. Color Flashing red, green, white.

4. Number One (1)

5. Formation, if more than one N/A

6. Any discernible features or details None

7. Was there a tail, trail or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object None

8. Was there any sound? If so, please describe the sound No

9. Other pertinent or unusual features None

B. Description of course of object.

1. What first called the attention of observer to the object Was watching for "Swift's" comet.

2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed 60° angle. Azmuth not determined

3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance 45° angle last notice then observer decided to go to bed. Object did not disappear when last sighted by observer.

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object Moving West to East. Noted no maneuvers of object.

5. How did the object disappear (Fade away or instantaneously) Object was still in sky.

6. How long was the object visible? (Be specific, 5 min, one hour) Observed object for two (2) hours.

C. Manner of observation.

1. How was object sighted, ground-visual, air visual, ground electronic, air electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar) Ground-visual.

2. Were any optical aids used. (Telescopes, binoculars) Binoculars - 7X35

3. Was this an airborne sighting? If so: N/A

A. Type A/C

B. Ident No

C. Altitude

D. Heading

E. Speed

F. Home Station

G. Telephone No

D. Time and date of sighting

1. Time Zulu 0500Z Date 12 August 1965
2. Was it, night, day, dawn, dusk Night

E. Location of Observer. Where did you make this sighting from? Give exact location. (If necessary give location in reference to a known land mark)

Approximately 87°58'W 42°06'N - From backyard of home.

F. Identifying Information on Observer

1. Civilian Name [redacted]
2. Age 36
3. Mailing Address [redacted] Prospect Heights, Illinois
4. Occupation Salesman
5. Reliability Stable
6. Telephone No [redacted]

Military:

1. Name N/A
2. Grade
3. Organization
4. Duty
5. Reliability
6. Telephone No.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings

1. Observer's account of weather conditions Unlimited Clear Night

Winds very still

2. Winds (from Weather Bureau) Furnished by Weather Station NAS Glenview, Ill.

Surface	220	Degrees	06	Kts
Aloft 6,000	270	"	12	"
10,000	290	"	12	"
16,000	310	"	20	"
20,000	360	"	12	"
30,000	020	"	25	"
50,000	330	"	20	"
80,000	Not available			"

3. Ceiling Clear
4. Visibility 6 miles in haze
5. Amount of cloud layer 0/10 - None
6. Thunderstorm in area and quadrant in which located None
7. Vertical Temp Gradient SFC +19°C / 850MB +14°C / 700MB +9°C / 500MB -5°C 300MB -40°C / 200MB -55°C. Freezing Level 14,000 ft., Stability Index +6.

H. Did you notice any unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting "Swift" comet (

saw pieces of this which appeared as a falling star.

L. Did you take any photographs No
Do you know of any existence of physical evidence of materials None

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY OBSERVER: Also observed by [redacted] wife, age 37 and [redacted] neice, age 16.

COMMENT: [redacted] appeared to be calm about this. He was looking at the "Swift's" comet at the time. He definitely felt he saw something unusual. Althought to this reporter the coloration of flashing red, green, white gives the impression this could have been an aircraft, the duration of this sighting seems to discount this. The observer did not appear to be hesitant of what he saw.

Ernest M. Hegler
ERNEST M. HEGLER, Civilian
Base Flight Operations Dispatcher

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP (CONAC)
Chicago-O'Hare Intl Aprt, Chicago, Ill 60666

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: OPS-B-1

18 August 1965

SUBJECT: Follow-up Letter of UFO Sighting

TO: AFSC (FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
45433

1. The attached letter is the follow-up letter from Mr. [redacted] as requested by this office.

2. Subject report was forwarded by this office 13 August 1965.

FOR THE COMMANDER

for Arthur N. Shannon

FRANCIS A. DELLORTO, Civilian
Base Flight Operations Officer

1 Atch
Ltr, [redacted]

Cy to:
Dr. J. Allen Hynek
Harvard College Observatory
60 Garden Street
Cambridge, Mass.

[redacted]
[redacted] WHEELING, ILLINOIS 60090
Area Code [redacted]

REPRESENTATIVE FOR
[redacted]

August 12, 1965

928 Troop Carrier Group, (Medium Reserve)
United States Air Force
O'Hare International Airport

Attention: [redacted]

Gentlemen:

This will conifrm my telephone conversation with one of your principles of this morning in which we reported the sighting of what we would classify an unidentified flying object.

The sighting was made by Mrs. [redacted], and Mr [redacted] at [redacted] Prospect Heights, Illinois, at approximately 12 p.m. last night, August 11, and the object was viewed for approximately two hours, or until 2 a.m., August 12.

The first reaction upon sighting was that it was a plane a long distance off and approaching directly with a red flashing light on the left, a green flashing light on the right, and what appeared to be a white flashing light in the center.

It was located almost due northeast and approximately 30° above the horizon. Over the period of two hours, it moved approximately 20 degrees east and 30 degrees up. At the final viewing, when we decided to quite and go to bed, it was located what I would say to be north -- 65 degrees east and 60 degrees above the horizon. It still appeared to be the same in figuration, although at such distance it was not possible to determine any shape; and at a distance almost comparable to a star, except that you could very definitely see the red, green, and white flashing lights.

[redacted] OFFICE AND PLANT AT [redacted] PHILADELPHIA, PA., 19120

If we can be of any further service, please do not hesitate to contact us.

If you know what this object was, we would appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

LMC/ee