

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
26 August 65 26/1000Z	SSW of Houston, Texas (Rosenberg, Freeport, Neeville, Angleton)
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Civilian	Astro (JUPITER)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	JUPITER in position of reported object.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
3 Hours, Still in sight	Multiple reports. Inversion in area. WX clear. Red-Green-Blue object
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	SEE CASE FILE
Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE	
Stationary, Erratic	
8. PHOTOS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
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1. UFO Report submitted IAW paragraph 14, AFR 200-2. 2. The following object was observed by members of the police/sheriff departments of the following Texas towns: Rosenberg, Freeport, Needville, and Angleton. Towns are located south and southwest of Houston. The first person to observe the object was Sheriff Balis of the Fort Bend Sheriff's Office (Richmond M02-3734). He broadcasted the sighting over the radio and asked if any other units could see it. The towns mentioned above all reported the same object in the same general area. The report was called in to this base by Officer John W. Werchan of the Texas Highway Patrol (Houston 0X4-1351). Three other reports of similar sightings

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were received by separate individuals in the Houston metropolitan area within a period of three hours prior to the sightings by the law enforcement officers. 3. Object appeared to be round and about the size of a dime. It alternately had a brilliant and dull glow with colors of red, green, white. Only one object was seen; the bottom of which seemed to be rotating giving off predominantly a red glow and alternating to green and white. No other unusual features were noted. There was no sound, trail, or exhaust. Sheriff Balis' attention was directed to the object by its brightness. It was at a forty degree angle of elevation southeast of his position. It appeared to be quite high, above ten thousand feet. The object did not move except up and down. It remained visible for about an hour and then the officer's duties required him to discontinue watching it. The officer watched it with both naked eye and binoculars. Object was sighted initially at 1000^z 26 AUG 65 under clear night time conditions. The following weather conditions were noted during the time of sighting: Winds - surface, calm; 6000 ft/variable; 10,000 ft, variable; 16,000 ft, 60 degrees at five knots; 20,000 ft, variable at 5 knots; 30,000 ft, variable at five knots; above 30,000 ft, not available. Temperatures: surface, 72°; 6000 ft, 15°; 10,000 ft, 9°; 16,000 ft, 2°; 20,000 ft, minus 9°; 30,000 ft, minus 34°; 50,000 ft, minus 69°. Sky conditions: high scattered clouds, eleven miles visibility. Other weather remarks: Inversion at approx 1500 to 1600 ft; haze and smoke in all quadrants; north-south shear line

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west of base 6,000 to 40,000 feet; no weather balloons were released from local area. Investigation: Houston Museum of Natural Science cannot offer any celestial explanation for observation. Local ACW radar and Houston International Tower radar reported no unusual sightings. Houston Tower radar reported minor anonymous propagation indicating the presence of an inversion. Remarks: This sighting caused considerable interest by local news media. Conclusion: Preliminary investigation failed to uncover any facts substantiating the presence of an unknown object. There is no question in my mind that something was seen; however, the presence of inversion conditions, the fact that object remained in one location for over an hour, and that similar sightings were observed in other sections of the area causes me to suspect the sightings were caused by surface lights being reflected off the inversion layer.

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ELLINGTON AIR FORCE BASE, TEXAS 77030

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: BDO-A

27 August 1965

SUBJECT: Transmittal of UFO Reports

TO: Foreign Technology Division
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
ATTN: Major Hector Quintanilla

1. Copies of additional UFO Reports received from personnel in the area of Houston, Texas, are forwarded as requested.
2. Also forwarded is copy of Priority Message regarding these reports.

FOR THE COMMANDER

LAURENCE R. LEACH, JR., Major, USAF
Assistant Director of Operations
Directorate of Operations

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1. thru 5. UFO Info Sheets
6. 2578 Msg, 27Aug65

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO)
INFORMATION SHEET

1. Answers to the following questions will be obtained from persons calling in regard to the observance of an unidentified flying object (UFO). If person refuses to give answers to 3a, do not complete report.

2. Complete Information Sheet in duplicate and forward to BDO.

3. a. Name _____ Address _____

Phone _____ Age 21 Occupation _____

b. Shape of Object _____ c. Color _____

d. Size (compare to dime, quarter, baseball, basketball, or larger item) _____

e. Number of Objects _____

f. Formation, if more than one _____

g. Unusual features of object _____

h. Was there a tail, vapor trail, or exhaust? i. Any Sound _____

j. What called attention to the observer _____

k. What angle and elevation was the object on first observance _____

l. What angle and elevation was the object when disappeared _____

m. What was the flight path of object (to north or south, to east or west) and were there any maneuvers of the object _____

n. How did the object disappear (instantly, to the north, no direction, etc.) _____

o. How long was the object visible (5 min, 1 hour, etc.) _____

p. How was the object observed (naked eye, radar, telescope, binoculars, etc.) _____

q. Time and date of sighting _____

r. Light conditions (night, day, dusk) _____

s. Geographical position of object (North of Houston, South of Pasadena, directly overhead, etc.) _____

t. Weather (clear day, hazy, cloudy, broken clouds, etc.) _____

u. Temperatures of day (80°, 90°, etc) _____

v. OTHER INFORMATION not answered above: _____

5. Thank caller for information, but do not promise that a return call will be made to confirm nor deny the observance of the object.

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6000 ft
Prob. T.P.R.C.

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3.a. Name ██████████ Address Shawfield, near Houston

Phone NONE Age 23 Occupation Waitress

b. Shape of Object ROUND c. Color Red, white, blue, green

d. Size (compare to dime, quarter, baseball, basketball, or larger item)
baseball e. Number of Objects ONE

f. Formation, if more than one NONE

g. Unusual features of object NONE

h. Was there a tail, vapor trail, or exhaust? NO i. Any Sound NO

j. What called attention to the observer nothing

k. What angle and elevation was the object on first observance 70°

l. What angle and elevation was the object when disappeared 70°

m. What was the flight path of object (to north or south, to east or west) and were there any maneuvers of the object straight

n. How did the object disappear (instantly, to the north, no direction, etc.) fall in sky

o. How long was the object visible (5 min, 1 hour, etc.) 2 hours

p. How was the object observed (naked eye, radar, telescope, binoculars, etc.) Naked Eye

q. Time and date of sighting 1960 26-8-1967

r. Light conditions (night, day, dusk) NIGHT

s. Geographical position of object (North of Houston, South of Pasadena, directly overhead, etc.) over Houston

t. Weather (clear day, hazy, cloudy, broken clouds, etc.) cloudy

u. Temperatures of day (80°, 90°, etc) 70°

v. OTHER INFORMATION not answered above: NONE

5. Thank caller for information, but do not promise that a return call will be made to confirm nor deny the observance of the object.

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INFORMATION SHEET

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2. Complete Information Sheet in duplicate and forward to BDO.

3.a. Name ██ Address ██

Phone ██ Age 25 Occupation Proprietor, Texaco H-P

b. Shape of Object Round c. Color Red, Green, White

d. Size (compare to dime, quarter, baseball, basketball, or larger item)

████████ DIME e. Number of Objects 1

f. Formation, if more than one ██ N/A

g. Unusual features of object VERY BRIGHT, ROTATING DISCS ON BOTTOM. BASICALLY RED, THOUGH TURNING TO GREEN AND WHITE. BRIGHT DISCS

h. Was there a tail, vapor trail, or exhaust? NO i. Any Sound NO

j. What called attention to the observer UNUSUAL COLOR, SIZE, SHAPE

k. What angle and elevation was the object on first observance

40° (APPEARED TO BE HIGH, ESTIMATE APPROX 10,000 FT)

l. What angle and elevation was the object when disappeared

40° IN THE

m. What was the flight path of object (to north or south, to east or west) and were there any maneuvers of the object SIMPLY STRAIGHT

REMAINING UP AND DOWN

n. How did the object disappear (instantly, to the north, no direction, etc.)

INSTANTLY, WAITED FOR 1 HR. THEN HAD TO GO BACK TO WORK

o. How long was the object visible (5 min, 1 hour, etc.) NO min 5

p. How was the object observed (naked eye, radar, telescope, binoculars, etc.)

NAKED EYE AND BINOCULARS

q. Time and date of sighting NOV 21 1967

r. Light conditions (night, day, dusk) night

s. Geographical position of object (North of Houston, South of Pasadena, directly overhead, etc.) IN THE MIDDLE, TEXAS

t. Weather (clear day, hazy, cloudy, broken clouds, etc.) clear

u. Temperatures of day (80° , 90° , etc) 80°

v. OTHER INFORMATION not answered above: RECENT OBSERVATION OF THE UNIDENTIFIED

ONE, WHICH RESEMBLES U-D, FLYING P-D, NO FLYING P-D

AND THE SIMILARITY OF UNIDENTIFIED

5. Thank caller for information, but do not promise that a return call will be made to confirm nor deny the observance of the object.

ALL INFORMATION ATTACHED!

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INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-8, SAFOS-3, JCS/DIA-1 (21)
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PP RUEAHQ

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ZNR UUUUU

P 271625Z

FM 2578 ABSQ ELLINGTON AFB TEXAS

TO RUWGAE/ADC

RUCDSQ/FTD WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUEAHQ/HQ USAF AFNIN

RUEAHQ/HQ USAF SAFOI

RUWGKG/29 AD ADC RICHARDS GEBAUER AFB MO

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UNCLAS B00 01031 AUG 65.

1. UFO REPORT SUBMITTED IAW PARAGRAPH 14, AFR 200-2. 2. THE FOLLOWING OBJECT WAS OBSERVED BY MEMBERS OF THE POLICE/SHERIFF DEPARTMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING TEXAS TOWNS: ROSENBERG, FREEPORT, NEEDVILLE, AND ANGLETON. TOWNS ARE LOCATED SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST OF HOUSTON. THE FIRST PERSON TO OBSERVE THE OBJECT WAS SHERIFF BALIS OF THE FORT BEND SHERIFFS OFFICE (RICHMOND M02-3734). HE BROADCASTED THE SITING OVER THE RADIO AND ASKED IF ANY OTHER

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UNITS COULD SEE IT. THE TOWNS MENTIONED ABOVE ALL REPORTED THE
SAME OBJECT IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA. THE REPORT WAS CALLED IN
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TO THIS BASE BY OFFICER JOHN W. WERCHAN OF THE TEXAS HIGHWAY
PATROL (HOUSTON 0X4-1351). THREE OTHER REPORTS OF SIMILAR SITINGS
WERE RECEIVED BY SEPARATE INDIVIDUALS IN THE HOUSTON METROPOLITAN
AREA WITHIN A PERIOD OF THREE HOURS PRIOR TO THE SITINGS BY THE
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. 3. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE ROUND AND ABOUT
THE SIZE OF A DIME. IT ALTERNATELY HAD A BRILLIANT AND DULL GLOW
WITH COLORS OF RED, GREEN, WHITE. ONLY ONE OBJECT WAS SEEN; THE
BOTTOM OF WHICH SEEMED TO BE ROTATING GIVING OFF PREDOMINANTLY
A RED GLOW AND ALTERNATING TO GREEN AND WHITE. NO OTHER UNUSUAL
FEATURES WERE NOTED. THERE WAS NO SOUND, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST.
SHERIFF BALIS' ATTENTION WAS DIRECTED TO THE OBJECT BY ITS
BRIGHTNESS. IT WAS AT A FORTY DEGREE ANGLE OF ELEVATION SOUTHEAST
OF HIS POSITION. IT APPEARED TO BE QUITE HIGH, ABOVE TEN
THOUSAND FEET. THE OBJECT DID NOT MOVE EXCEPT UP AND DOWN. IT
REMAINED VISIBLE FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AND THEN THE OFFICER'S DUTIES
REQUIRED HIM TO DISCONTINUE WATCHING IT. THE OFFICER WATCHED IT
WITH BOTH NAKED EYE AND BINOCULARS. OBJECT WAS SITED INITIALLY

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AT 1000Z 26 AUG 65 UNDER CLEAR NIGHT TIME CONDITIONS. THE FOLLOWING WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE NOTED DURING THE TIME OF SIGHTING: WINDS - SURFACE, CALM; 6000 FT/VARIABLE; 10,000 FT, VARIABLE; 16,000 FT,

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60 DEGREES AT FIVE KNOTS; 20,000 FT, VARIABLE AT 5 KNOTS; 30,000 FT, VARIABLE AT FIVE KNOTS; ABOVE 30,000 FT, NOT AVAILABLE. TEMPERATURES: SURFACE, 72 DEGREES; 6000 FT, 15 DEGREES; 10,000 FT, 9 DEGREES; 16,000 FT, 2 DEGREES; 20,000 FT, MINUS 9 DEGREES; 30,000 FT, MINUS 34 DEGREES; 50,000 FT, MINUS 69 DEGREES. SKY CONDITIONS:

HIGH SCATTERED CLOUDS, ELEVEN MILES VISIBILITY. OTHER WEATHER

REMARKS: INVERSION AT APPROX 1500 TO 1600 FT; HAZE AND SMOKE IN ALL QUADRANTS; NORTH-SOUTH SHEAR LINE WEST OF BASE 6,000 TO 40,000 FEET; NO WEATHER BALLOONS WERE RELEASED FROM LOCAL AREA. INVESTIGATION: HOUSTON MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE CANNOT OFFER ANY CELESTIAL EXPLANATION FOR OBSERVATION. LOCAL AOW RADAR AND HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL TOWER RADAR REPORTED NO UNUSUAL SITINGS. HOUSTON TOWER RADAR REPORTED MINOR ANONYMOUS PROPAGATION INDICATING THE PRESENCE OF AN INVERSION. REMARKS: THIS SITING CAUSED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST BY LOCAL NEWS MEDIA. CONCLUSION: PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION FAILED TO UNCOVER ANY FACTS SUBSTANTIATING THE PRESENCE OF AN UNKNOWN OBJECT.

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THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND THAT SOMETHING WAS SEEN; HOWEVER, THE
PRESENCE OF INVERSION CONDITIONS, THE FACT THAT OBJECT REMAINED
IN ONE LOCATION FOR OVER AN HOUR, AND THAT SIMILAR SITINGS WERE
OBSERVED IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE AREA CAUSES ME TO SUSPECT THE

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SITINGS WERE CAUSED BY SURFACE LIGHTS BEING REFLECTED OFF THE
INVERSION LAYER.

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