

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 14 July 66 15/0320Z	2. LOCATION North Hudson, N. Y.
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Aircraft ✓ <i>Just</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noted white streaks in sky in the north. Aircraft like object but observer heard no sound. Object was traveling toward the south at a slow rate of speed. The lights were white and blue in color and circulating. At the time of the sighting a KC - 135 was refueling a B 52 bomber in the altitude and general direction of sighting. The aircrafts lights would explain observers description of circulation white and blue lights.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	



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ACTION: RDC-4

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, DIA-1, NIN-7 (19) ADV CY DIA  
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FOR AFNIN AT HQ USAF AND SAFOI AT SECRETARY OF THE AF.

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT. A. DESCRIPTION OF

THE OBJECT: (1) SHAPE - ODD SHAPED, AIRCRAFT LIKE, YET

DISSIMILAR: (2) SIZE - COMPARED TO AIRCRAFT AT DISTANCE;

(3) COLOR - WHITE AND BLUE LIGHTS - CIRCULATING; (4)

NUMBER - ONE; (5) FORMATION - NOT SEEN; (6) ANY DESCRIB-

ABLE FEATURES OR DETAILS - AT TIME LIKE CHECKERBOARD

PATTERN; (7) TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST - NONE; (8) NOISE -

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ONE HEARD; (9) OTHER DETAILS - SAW WHITE STREAKS IN SKY

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THIGHT SAW LIGHT ON INSIDE OF OBJECT, AT CENTER. B.

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT: (1) WHAT FIRST CALLED

ATTENTION OF OBSERVERS TO THE OBJECT - OBSERVER WAS

SITTING ON PORCH LOOKING OUT AND UP AT SKY - SAW OBJECT

LIKE AIRCRAFT BUT NO NOISE; (2) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND

AZIMUTH OF OBJECTS WHEN FIRST OBSERVED - ELEVATION,

2,000 FT. IN NORTH; (3) ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF

OBJECT ON DISAPPEARANCE - OVER MOUNTAIN HORIZON GOING

SOUTH; (4) DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND MANEUVER OF

OBJECT - TOO FAST, A PATH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH; (5)

HOW DID OBJECT DISAPPEAR - OVER MOUNTAINS TO THE SOUTH;

(6) HOW LONG WAS OBJECT VISIBLE - OBSERVED APPROX 20

MINUTES. C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND - VISUAL;

(2) OPTICAL AIDS - NONE; (3) N/A D. TIME AND DATE FO

SIGHTING; (1) 0320Z. 15 JUL 66; (2) LIGHT CONDITIONS -

NIGHT. E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER - 1/2 MILE NORTH WEST O

ROAD JUNCTION AT NORTH HUDSON, N. Y. (44 DEGREES 00 DEGREES

NORTH-073 DEGREES 43 DEGREES E)

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F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER; CIVILIAN - MR.

~~REDACTED~~, AGE 52, RFD NORTH, N. Y.; UNEMPLOYED EX-

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CONSERVATION WORKER; A MAN OF LITTLE EDUCATION AND

LACKING IN TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE: (2) N/A G. WEATHER AND

WINDS CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTING (APPRX.

ONLY) (1) OBSERVERS ACCOUNT OF WEATHER CONDITIONS -

DARK, CLEAR WITH GOOD VISIBILITY;

(2) REPORT OF AWS, DET 7, 8TH WEA SQ. PLATTSBURGH AFB

NY FOR VICINITY OF SIGHTING AT 0200-0300Z, 15C JUL 66.

(1) CLEAR - NIGHT VISIBILITY 15 NM; (2) WINDS - WINDS,

SURFACE WNW AT 5 TO 8 KTS; (3) CEILING: NONE; (4)

VISIBILITY - CLEAR, UNLIMITED; (5) AMOUNT OF CLOUD COVER -

HIGH THIN, 1/10THC (6) THUNDERSTORMS - N/A; (7) N/A. H.

ANY OTHER UNUSAL CONDITION - NONE. I. INTERCEPTION

ACTION - N/A (NONE). J. LOCATION, APPROX ALTITUDE AND

GENERAL DIRECTION OF FLIGHT AIR TRAFFIC - AND USAF AIR

REFUELING PROJECT "WATER CLOCK," (KC-135 TANKER

AIRCRAFT REFUELING A B-52 BOMBER) WAS REPORTED AS WEST

BOUND AT 27,000FT. - ALTITUDE OVER (CENTRAL) EASTERN

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NEW YORK STATE AT APPROX 0800Z TO 0345Z HOURS ON 15 JULY.

K. POSITION, TITLE AND COMMENTS PREPARING OFFICER -

ALLEN H. DOYLE, MAJOR, USAF, 3805TH STRATEGIC AEROSPACE

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WING (SAC), PLATTSBURGH FB, NEW YORK, OIC, COMBAT

INTELLIGENCE BRANCH. COMMENTS: HE OBJECT, REPORTED

AS AIRCRAFT LIKE, BUT YET NOT LIKE ONE, DESCRIBES

PROBABLY TWO AIRCRAFT, CLOSE TOGETHER, IN A REFUELING  
OPERATION. AS VISIBILITY OF THAT NIGHT WAS UNLIMITED,  
AIRCRAFT WITH LIGHTS OR ILLUMINATION COULD BE WELL  
VIEWED AT CONSIDERABLE DISTANCES, THUS A "NO NOISE"

REPORT. SINCE TWO AIRCRAFT, IN A REFUELING OPERATION,

WERE REPORTED IN/OVER OBSERVERS AREA AT SAME TIME/DATE

PERIOD, THESE REFUELING AIRCRAFT WOULD FOLLOW SET COURSE,

AT REDUCED SPEEDS ALLOWING VIEW OF APPROX 20 MINUTES.

THE AIRCRAFTS LIGHTS AND LIGHTING USED DURING REFUELING

WOULD EXPLAIN OBSERVERS DESCRIPTION OF CIRCULATION

WHITE AND BLUE LIGHTS, LIGHTS INSIDE OF OBJECTS CENTER,

CHECKERBOARD PATTERN, AND WHITE STRIPS IN SKY AS BEING

ACTUALLY THE ILLUMINATION LIGHTS OF BOOM AREA AND

POSSIBLE ILLUMINATION OF B-52 WINGS DURING REFUELING.

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THIS REPORTING OFFICER ASSESSES THIS SIGHTING AS TWO  
AIRCRAFT SEEN IN NIGHT AS ONE OBJECT IN A REFUELING  
OPERATION BY THE OBSERVER WHO APPARENTLY WAS UNKNOWLEDGE-

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ABLE OF SUCH AN EVENT TAKING PLACE IN THE AIR SPACE  
ABOVE HIM. L. EXISTENCE OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE - NONE.

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