

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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7. COURSE E - W	
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29th April 1915, 10 a.m.  
(After 1000 feet, 1000 feet)  
30/03/20

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ACTION: RDC-4 INFO: XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA-1, (19)

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TO RUMMFVA/ADC

RUEDTAA/AFSC

RUED HQA/C SAF

RUED HQA/OSAF WASH DC

RUN GGN/32A IRD IV GUNTER AFB ALA

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AFSC FOR SCF; OSAF FOR SAFO 1; CSAF FOR AFNIN

SUBJ: REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT. (UFO)

REF AFR 200-2. ITEMS IN THIS MSG ARE KEYED TO ITEMS OF

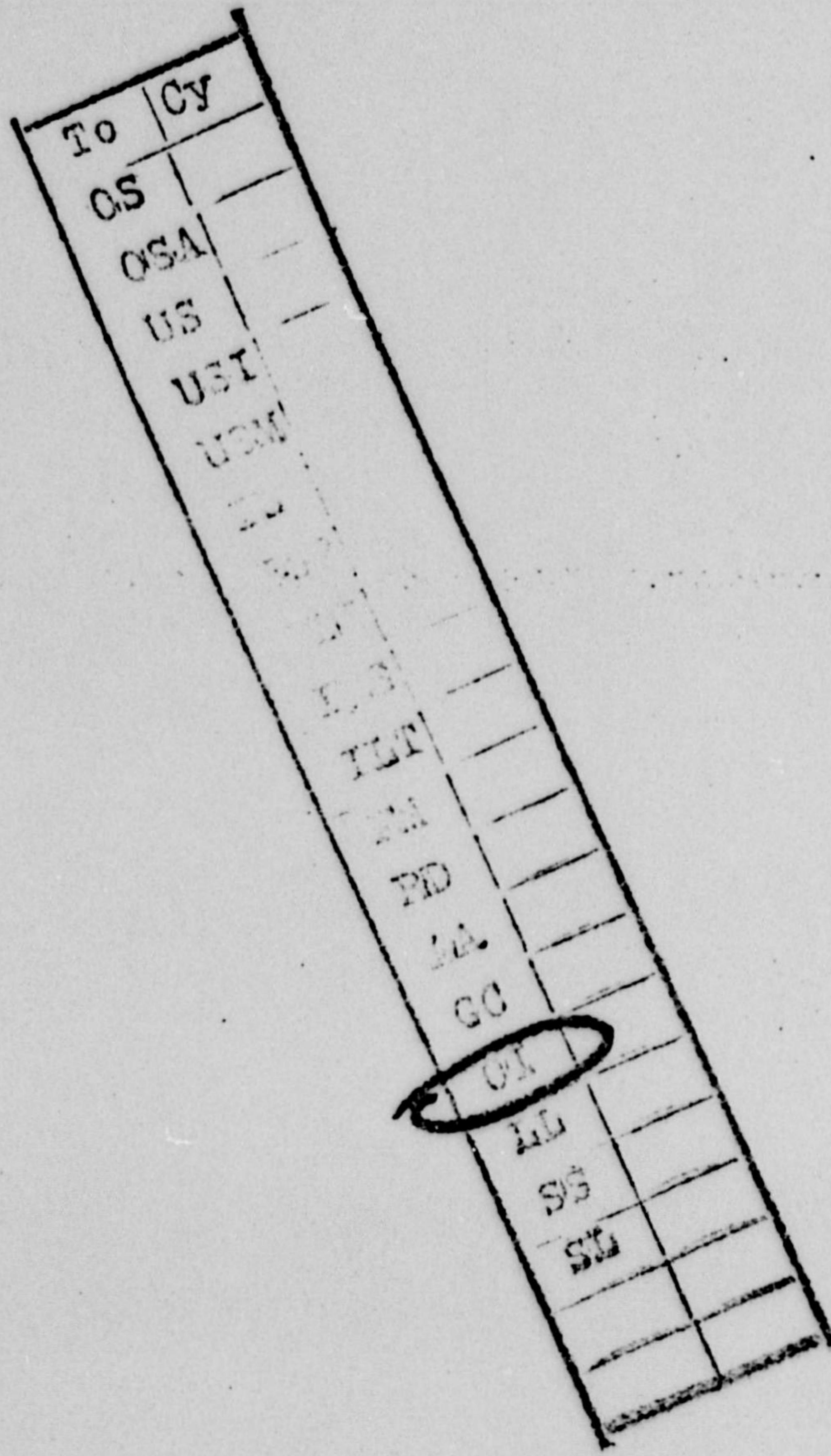
REPORT FORM PARAGRAPH 14 IN REFERENCE ABOVE. THE FOL-

LOWING IS A DEBRIEFING OF FOUR AIR CREW MEMBERS OF THE 1ST

AOW, ENGLAND AFB, LA. THESE AIR CREW MEMBERS WERE ALL

ABOARD SAME AIRCRAFT WHEN OBJECT WAS SIGHTED.

A: DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:



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(1) SUBJECT WAS SHAPE MUCH LIKE A SHALLOW CEREAL

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BOWL TURNED UPSIDE DOWN. THERE APPEARED TO BE A DOME  
WITH A SLIGHT RIDGE COMPLETELY AROUND THE OBJECT ABOUT  
HALF WAY UP ON ITS SURFACE.

(2) OBSERVERS ESTIMATED THE SIZE OF THE OBJECT TO  
RANGE FROM A HALF DOLLAR TO A BASKETBALL. ONE OBSERVER  
ESTIMATED A DIAMETER OF 20 - 30 FEET WITH THE OBJECT  
BEING ABOUT HALF MILE AWAY.

(3) THE COLOR APPEARED TO BE GRAYISH WHITE TO BLUE  
GRAY WITH A TRANSLUCENT APPEARANCE.

(4) ONLY ONE OBJECT SIGHTED.

(5) N/A

(6) TWO OF THE OBSERVERS DESCRIBED THE OBJECT AS  
FOLLOWS: IT WAS ROUND WITH A RAISED CONCENTRIC CIRCLE ON  
TOP, SHAPED MUCH LIKE A PLATE WITH A SHALLOW BOWL ON TOP.  
NO LIGHTS WERE VISIBLE ON OBJECT, HOWEVER, OBSERVERS AIR-  
CRAFT HAD JUST DROPPED A FLARE AND THE LIGHT FROM THE  
FLARE APPEARED TO REFLECT OFF THE OBJECT.

(7) NONE

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(8) NONE

(9) NONE OTHER THAN DESCRIBED ABOVE.

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B: DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT (AC-47) WAS ON THE FIRING RANGE STARTING TO MAKE A FIRING PASS AT A TARGET WHEN OBJECT APPEARED BETWEEN AIRCRAFT AND TARGET. OBJECT WAS BELOW AIRCRAFT ESTIMATED ABOUT 100 - 150 FEET OFF THE GROUND. TO ONE OBSERVER THE OBJECT SEEMED TO BE HOVERING AT FIRST, AND THEN BEGAN TO MOVE UP TO A SPEED OF ABOUT 70 - 80 KTS. THE OBJECT MOVED FROM EAST TO WEST AND STAYED AT ABOUT THE SAME 100 - 150 FEET ALTITUDE. ONE OBSERVER PILOT/FLIGHT EXAMINER TOLD THE PILOT NOT TO FIRE BECAUSE THERE WAS SOMETHING MOVING ON THE RANGE. HE THOUGHT IT WAS AN AIRCRAFT AT FIRST, BUT COULD SEE NO LIGHTS ON IT. AS THEY APPROACHED CLOSER TO THE OBJECT HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE AN AIRCRAFT WITH A LARGE RADOME ON TOP. THE OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT WAS IN A LEFT TURN WHEN THE OBJECT PASSED DIRECTLY BELOW THEIR AIRCRAFT STILL MOVING EAST TO WEST AT AN ESTIMATED SPEED OF ABOUT 60 - 70 KTS. THE

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OBJECT THEN APPEARED TO MAKE A LEFT TURN ALSO AROUND THE  
TARGET AREA OF THE (AC-47) OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT. AT THIS  
TIME THE OBJECT DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW OF OBSERVERS IN THE

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COCKPIT OF THE OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT. THE OBSERVER (WHO WAS  
THE PILOT/FLIGHT EXAMINER) WENT TO THE REAR OF THE AIRCRAFT  
AND SIGHTED THE OBJECT AGAIN FROM THE REAR DOOR (WHICH WAS  
REMOVED). THE OBJECT APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 1000 - 1500 FEET  
BELOW AND NOW HEADED IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION. AT THIS  
TIME WITH GOOD VIEW THIS OBSERVER SAW THE DEFINITE OUTLINE  
OF A ROUND SHAPE, AND CONCENTRIC CIRCLE.

(2) OBJECT ELEVATION WAS ESTIMATED BY ALL OBSERVERS TO  
BE 100 - 150 FEET OFF THE GROUND AT THEIR 10 O'CLOCK  
POSITION MOVING EAST TO WEST.

(3) THE OBJECT WAS STILL AT ABOUT 150 FT BUT HAD  
TURNED AND WAS HEADING EAST WHEN IT DISAPPEARED.

(4) AS EXPLAINED IN B(1) ABOVE. HOWEVER ONE OBSERVER  
NOTED THAT WHEN THE OBJECT TURNED IT DID NOT APPEAR TO BANK  
AS A FIXED WING AIRCRAFT WOULD. AND AS THE OBSERVER AIR-  
CRAFT INCREASED ITS TURN TO OBSERVE THE OBJECT, THE OBJECT

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SEEMED TO STEEPEN ITS TURN.

(5) SLOWLY IN A LEFT TURN TO THE EAST.

(6) 30 SECONDS TO TWO MINUTES ACCORDING TO THE  
OBSERVER.

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C: MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) AIR VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) AC-47, ACFT NR. 263, 3500 FT IN LEFT HAND TURN  
FROM 080 DEGREES TO ABOUT 150 DEGREES, 125 - 130 KTS,  
ENGLAND AFB, LA.

D: TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) SEPTEMBER 30/0031Z

(2) DUSK

E: PEASON RIDGE GUNNERY RANGE. APPROX DEGREES - 24°N/  
93 DEGREES - 10°W OR 36 MILES AT 270 DEGREES WEST OF ENGLAND AFB.

F:

(1) N/A

(2) LEFT BANK

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- (1) CLEAR VISIBILITY UNLIMITED, SLIGHT HAZE.
- (2) 210 DEGREES - 220 DEGREES/6 KTS SURFACE TO 3500 FEET.
- (3) N/A
- (4) UNLIMITED WITH SLIGHT HAZE.
- (5) N/A
- (6) NONE

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NOTE: SECTION 2 IS AF IN: 56910 (1 Oct 66)

6 Oct. 66

Contact was made with the Lake Charles weather bureau (318-4775214). They normally launch balloons every six hours. A balloon was launched at 2315Z 29 Sept. 66. 75 minutes after launch the balloon was reporting winds at 40 knots from 260 degrees. The balloon reached an altitude of about 59,000 feet during this portion of the flight. They suspected the balloon burst shortly after, but do not have positive proof. They do not know if the balloon could have been the culprit. The winds were blowing from the west and the object was traveling with the wind.

11 Oct. 66

Contact was made with NCAR, Palestine, Texas (214-729-6921) concerning balloon launches on or about 30 Sept. 66. Mr. Warrent said that NCAR did not launch any balloons on the afternoon of the 29 SEPT. 66 to account for the observation. There were no balloons launched from Palestine to account for the sighting.

13 Oct 66

Contact was made with the 6th Weather Group Major Steffer ex 601. at Goodfellow AFB, Texas. There were no balloon launches on 29 Sept. 66 to account for the sighting. The last balloon that was launched except the one that was launched 13 Oct. 66 was 26 Sept. 66.