

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 6 Jan 67 06/2240Z	2. LOCATION Scarsdale, New York one
3. SOURCE Civilian (13)	10. CONCLUSION Aircraft(possible) <i>Transp info. JCH</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer watched a bright silvery-white colored object move in a smooth arc until almost directly overhead. At this point the object moved downward-then straight up until the size of a small star-then moved on to the western sky. The object was long and thin in shape. Three or four arm like protrusions were noted sticking out from the front portion.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE westward	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Location of sighting is exposed to New York City air traffic and also that of nearby Westchester Airport. The description is consistent with that of an aircraft observation.
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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A. Description of the Object(s):

1. Shape: Long and thin. Sort of cigar-shaped. Three or four arm-like protrusions sticking out from front portion.
2. Size compared to a know object: Size varied during period of sighting. When largest, it was approximately the size of a penny held at arms length.
3. Color: Bright silvery-white.
4. Number: One.
5. Formation, if more than one:
N/A
6. Any discernible features or details:
None other than protrusions mentioned above.
7. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s):
None
8. Sound; if heard, describe sound:
None
9. Other pertinent or unusual features:
None

B. Description of Course of Object(s):

1. What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s):
Brightness.
2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) when first observed:
20 deg. above horizon in the SE quadrant.
3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance:
60 deg. above the horizon to the West.

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s):

Moved in smooth arc until almost directly overhead- Then downward (toward surface)- then straight up until size of

5. How did the object(s) disappear: small star- then moving to West. Observer went into house and did not witness disappearance.

6. How long (were) the object(s) visible:

Maximum of three minutes. Possibly as little as two minutes.

C. Manner of Observation:

Ground-Visual

1.

2. Optical Aids:

None

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D. Time and Date of Sighting:

1. Zulu time-date group of sighting:

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2. Light conditions:

Night, Moon and stars clearly visible.

E. Location of Observer(s):

41 deg. N 73 deg. 48' West

F. Identifying Information on Observer(s):

1. Military or Civilian: Civilian

2. Name: [REDACTED]

3. Age: 13

4. Mailing Address:

[REDACTED] Scarsdale, N.Y.

5. Occupation:

Student

6. Estimate of Reliability: Apparently reliable sighting.

2 Sighting confirmed by phone with observer's mother.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft Conditions at Time and Place of Sightings:

1. Observer(s) account of weather conditions:

Very clear. Little or no wind.

2. Report from nearest AWS or U.S. Weather Bureau Office:

Clear with more than fifteen miles visibility. Temp. -25 deg. F

Dew Point 14 deg F. Wind 070 deg. at 4 knots. Altimeter - 3032.

3. Ceiling:

None

4. Visibility:

15 Plus

5. Amount of cloud cover:

None

6. Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located:

None

7. Vertical temperature gradient:

3000-5000' - 4 degree Inversion From ~~5~~ 5000' up - Standard Lapse Rate.
(Taken from Albany sounding - No NYC sounding for this date.)

H. Any Other Unusual Activity or Condition:

None

I. Interception or Identification Action Taken:

None

J. Location, approximate altitude, and general direction of flight of any air traffic or balloon releases in the area which might possibly account for the sighting:

None known.

K. Position, title and comments of the preparing officer:

Lack of sufficient information and unusual shape of object sighted as reported by observer, render a possible stimulus difficult to determine. Location of sighting is exposed to New York City air traffic and also that of nearby Westchester Co. Airport. Vertical movement suggests a helicopter sighting. Apparent protrusions could have been moon's reflection on rotor blades. Insufficient information prohibits further speculation.



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Investigating Officer

L. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs:

None