PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 17 Feb 67 17/2250Z	2. LOCATION Utica, New York (3 witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (VENUS) ✓ JHA
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	Venus was at ~~235~~ 253 degrees azimuth, and an elevation 14 degrees at time of sighting.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 50 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer stated it looked like a bright star and believes it was Sirius. Object stayed in sight and then some clouds moved in and covered it. Object was a bright yellowish-white.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual (TX)	
7. COURSE Southwest	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

Friday (Day) 17 February (Month) 1967 (Year)

2. Time of day: 5:50 PM (Hour) _____ (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): (a. Eastern) b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving (b. Standard)

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] Street (Nearest Postal Address) Utica (City or Town) New York (13501) (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) 0 (Hours) 50 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

a. Certain (b. Fairly certain) c. Not very sure d. Just a guess

(It stayed in sight & then some clouds moved in & covered it.)

5.1 How was time in sight determined? electric wall clock

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X No ____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
(a. Bright)
b. Cloudy

(Very few clouds in the opposite part of sky.)

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you b. In back of you c. To your right d. To your left e. Overhead f. Don't remember

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Venus @ 14° El on 253° Az

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight – pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object: It appeared brighter than Jupiter.

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One):
a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

13. Did the object: *(Circle One for each question)*

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

Only when some clouds moved in front of it.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: It was sometimes covered by a few clouds.

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of:

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound none

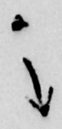
b. Color Bright yellowish-white

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

Just covered about all of it.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

240° SW



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

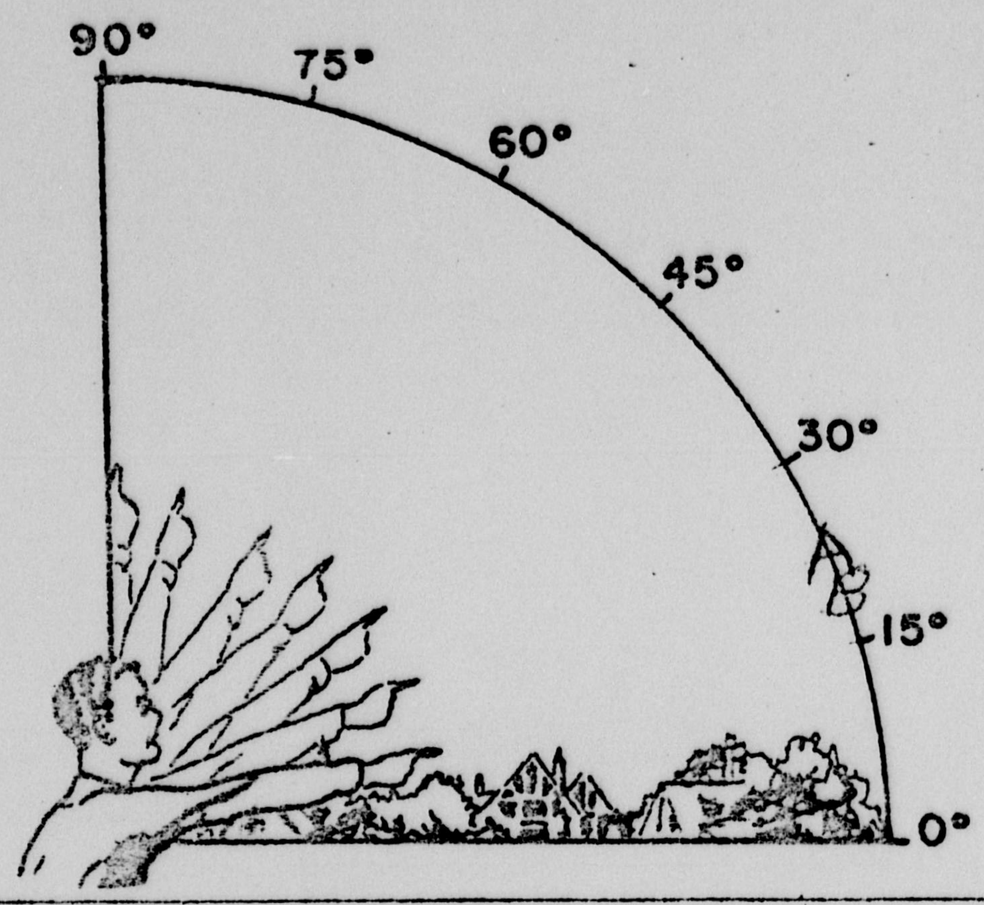
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

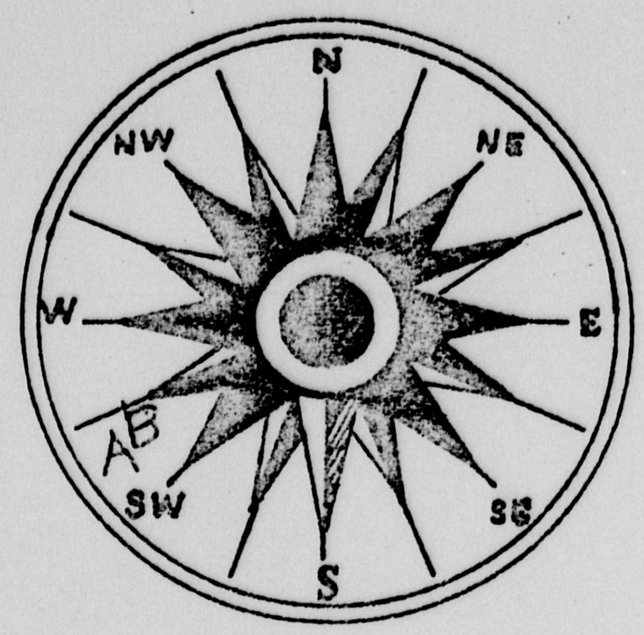
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

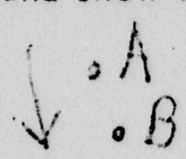
It looked just like a bright star and I believe it was, possibly the star Sirius!

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.





28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

Yes, same location, same time, 2/13/67

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

(my brother [redacted])

Utica 3, N.Y. 13501

(mother [redacted])

Utica 3, N.Y. 13501

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) St. Utica (City) 3 (Zone) New York (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 14 SEX Male

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

I have written to project Blue Book many times asking for information and asking questions concerning UFO's

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

Monday (Day) February (Month) 1967 (Year)

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34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 17 (Day) February (Month) 1967 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

I am just about sure that this object is a star of high magnitude.

Could you please find out for me the name of ~~the~~ this star?

Thank you.

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Would you please send me another set of U. S. Technical Info. Sheets?
I will keep them on hand in case something turns up.
Thank You,

Sincerely

[redacted]

17 February 1967

SAFOICC/Mrs Cassel/jad/79079/28 Mar 67

MAR 29 1967

Dear [redacted]

Reference your unidentified flying object (UFO) observation of February 17, 1967.

Analysis of the submitted information revealed that you were probably observing the planet Venus. On February 17 Venus, with a stellar magnitude of -3.3, would have been quite bright in the western sky. To be more exact, at the time of the sighting, Venus would have been on an azimuth of 253 degrees at an elevation of approximately 15 degrees.

Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

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