

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
05/1030Z	Mesa, Arizona (1 witness)
3. CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	Other (BIRDS)
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	<p>Object appeared to be kidney shaped and in a formation of a "W". The objects had a steady fluorescent glow. They flew in a straight course. Objects disappeared behind roof line of observers house. Observer had just laid down outside with his head to the N. His house is to the W. Objects were only visible momentarily. Observer stated that his initial impression was that the objects were a flight of geese and the size of ducks at shotgun range. He stated that he was not aware of the individual objects as he was the formation as a whole; however, on reflection he said, the objects were "W" shaped.</p>
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	

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ACTION: RDC-4

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, DIA-1 (12)

SMB A 160RTTU ZZG RUWJEAA 0433 15 81615 RUED -UUUU--RUED HQA.

RTTU JAW RUWJEAA 0433 15 81615 -UUUU--RUED FIA RUED HQA.

ZNR UUUUU

R 071600Z JUN 67

FM 3525TH PLTNGWG WILLIAMS AFB ARIZ

TO RUWMFVA/ENT AFB COLO

RUEDFIA/FTD WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUED HQA/CSAF

RUED HQA/OSAF

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FOR TDETR AT WPAFB, FOR AFRDC, FOR SAF-OI FOR DR. CONDON. SUBJECT

UFO SIGHTING. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: SHAPE/ CARDIOID TO KIDNEY.

SIZE; QUARTER HELD AT ARMS LENGTH. COLOR: WHITE. NUMBER: FIFTEEN

TO TWENTY. FORMATION: ROUGHLY A "W". FEATURES: STEADY FLUORESCENT

GLOW. TRAIL OR EXHAUST: NONE. SOUND: NONE. DESCRIPTION OF

OBJECTS COURSE: STRAIGHT LINE TRUE COURSE OF APPROXIMATE TRUE

COURSE OF 250 DEGREES. ANGLE OF ELEVATION: APPROXIMATELY 85

DEGREES. OBJECTS DISAPPEARED BEHIND ROOF LINE OF HOUSE. OBJECTS

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*Called HIC Lowe, 14 June 67
and received date + time of sighting
5 June 67, 0430(R), MDT, and 15J
Lt Steward investigated sighting*

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WERE VIEWED BY NAKED EYE. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: TWO TO THREE
SECONDS. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: 446 EAST MAIN, MESA, ARIZONA;
33 DEGRES 25N LAT., 111 DEGREES 53W LONG., IDENTIFICATION OF OBSERVER:
MR. [REDACTED] AE: 56. ADDRESS: [REDACTED] MESA, ARIZONA.

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OCCUPATION: [REDACTED] SHOP. EDUCATION: HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE.
RELIABILITY: GOOD. OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT OF WEATHER: CLEAR OVERHEAD,
CLOUDS AROUND HORIZON. WEATHER BUREAU'S REPORT: WIND DIRECTION AND
VELOCITY: SURFACE 060 DEGREES AT 4 KT; 6000' 190 DEGREES AT 14 KT; 10,000'
200 DEGREES AT 25 KT; 16,000' 210 DEGREES AT 44 KT; 20,000' 210 DEGREES
AT 41 KT; 30,000' 230 DEGREES AT 73 KT. CEILING: 7,000' SCATTERED,
12,000' BROKEN. VISIBILITY: PNM. AMOUNT OF CLOUD COVER: 6/10. THUNDER
STORMS: NORTHEAST THROUGH SOUTHEAST QUADRANTS. VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT
PLUS 12 TO 30,000'. UNUSUAL WEATHER CONDITIONS: NONE. INVESTIGATING
OFFICER'S COMMENTS: MR. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS HAVING TROUBLE
SLEEPING INDOORS. A LIGHT SHOWER HAD JUST FALLEN, AND HE HAD TAKEN
A COT OUTSIDE. HE HAD PLACED THE COT BETWEEN HIS CAR AND THE HOUSE
WITH THE HOUSE TO THE WEST. HE HAD JUST LAID DOWN WITH HIS HEAD TO
THE NORTH WHEN HE NOTICED THE OBJECTS APPEAR ABOVE THE HOOD LINE OF
HIS CAR. THE OBJECTS WERE ONLY VISIBLE MOMENTARILY AS THEY DISAPP-

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EARED BEHIND THE ROOF LINE OF MR. BIRD'S HOUSE. THE OBSERVER STATED THAT HIS INITIAL IMPRESSION WAS THAT THE OBJECTS WERE A FLIGHT OF GEESE. HE STATED THAT THEY APPEARED TO BE "ABOUT THE SIZE OF DUCKS AT SHOTGUN RANGE". HE STATED THAT HE WAS NOT SO AWARE OF THE INDIVIDUAL OBJECTS AS HE WAS OF THE FORMATION AS A WHOLE; HOWEVER, ON REFLECTION HE SAID THAT THE OBJECTS WERE "V DISK SHAPED". HE

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MADE A SKETCH OF AN INDIVIDUAL OBJECT THAT COULD BE DESCRIBED AS KIDNEY SHAPED. FROM THE OBSERVER'S ACCOUNT AND THE SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION, THERE IS NO APPARENT, FIRM EXPLANATION. FOUR (4) POSSIBLE EXPLANATIONS FOR THE SIGHTING ARE (1) LIGHT REFLECTING FROM A FLIGHT OF BIRDS OR BATS, (2) A METEOR SHOWER, (3) A TANKER WITH ITS REFUELING LIGHTS ON, AND (4) A LARGE AIRCRAFT WITH ITS LANDING LIGHT ON. OF THESE THE FOURTH SEEMS TO BE THE MOST PLAUSIBLE CONCLUSION.

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