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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Apr 52	2. LOCATION Lake Meade, Nevada		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0900 MST GMT 011600 Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE AF M/Sgt.		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 hour	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Silver color. Hovered.		11. COMMENTS Attention attracted by flight of a/c. CAVU weather. <i>Prob. Balloon</i>	

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1. UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT, SILVER, DESCRIBED AS B-36 WITHOUT WINGS, EXTREME ALTITUDE PROHIBITED DETERMINATION OF SHAPE.

2. 0900-1000 ONE HOUR 8 APRIL 1952

3. VISUAL SURFACE

4. 36 DEGREES 15 N 114 DEGREES 10 W EASTERN EXTREMITY OF LAKE MEAD, NEVADA

5. OBSERVATION BY M/SGT, WIFE AND FRIEND. STATEMENT BY M/SGT. M/SGT HAS TWELVE YEARS SERVICE, 76 FSC, AFSC 43271D. COMMANDING OFFICER RATES HIM MOST RELIABLE.

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- 6. CAVU.
- 7. NONE.
- 8. NONE.
- 9. NONE.

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COUNTRY UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	REPORT NO. IR-2-52	(LEAVE BLANK) of 43946 35
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT Report of Unidentified Object		
AREA REPORTED ON Lake Mead, Nevada	FROM (Agency) 106th Bomb Wing, Intelligence	
DATE OF REPORT 19 April 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 8 April 1952	EVALUATION A-2
PREPARED BY (Name) 2 Lt Richard W. Abraham - Operational Intel.	SOURCE 102nd Bomb Squadron	
REFERENCES (Central number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFOIN - C/OC-2		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List impressions of lower left. Attach text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)  The following statements concerning an unidentified object were made by M Sgt Sheldon Smith, AF 66 667 792, to Lt A. J. Thomas, Intelligence Officer, 102nd Bomb Squadron on 7 April 1952:  While on a fishing trip to Lake Mead in Nevada with my wife and a friend, an unidentified object was observed. We first saw this object between 0900 and 1000 hours Wednesday, 2 April 1952. It was silver in color, very large and was at a tremendous altitude making it impossible for us to determine its shape. (During the interrogation asking for an approximation as to the size, M Sgt Smith estimated the object to be "...the size of a B-36 without wings...") As it moved but a very short distance in the period observed, we are all positive that there was an object there. After approximately one hour, it suddenly vanished. Our observation was visual. Our attention was brought to this object due to a flight of F-86's that went overhead at approximately 0900 hours which were leaving vapor trails so I think they were at least at 15,000'. The object appeared to us after this passage and remained for about an hour. It seemed to be at a considerably higher altitude than the vapor trails.  Our position at the time was at the eastern extremity of Lake Mead approximately 114 degrees, 10 minutes west; 36 degrees, 15 minutes North. The three persons making the observation were Mrs Ames Smith, M Sgt Lester O. Gossett, a friend from Lockburne AFB, Columbus, Ohio, and myself. Weather was CAVU. There were no disturbing weather phenomena. No physical evidence is available. The reporting of this incident is related to the program requesting information which may lead to the disclosure of the identity of unidentified objects.  Richard W. Abraham RICHARD W. ABRAHAM 2d Lt, USAF Operational Intelligence Officer		
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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 6

DATE: *2 APR* Apr 52

TIME (Local): 0900-1000

LOCATION: Lake Meade, Nev.

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: 1 Hr.

SOUND: Unknown

SPEED: Hovered

ALTITUDE: High

HEADING: Unknown

SOURCE: AF M/Sgt

ACTION OR COMMENTS: No conclusions. Lack of data.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Object appeared to be "B-26 without wings". [REDACTED]

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 70

DATE: 2 Apr 52

TIME (Local): Between 0900 & 1000

LOCATION: Lake Meade, Nev.

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: 1 Hour

SOUND: Unknown

SPEED: Unknown

ALTITUDE: Tremendous

HEADING: Unknown

SOURCE: M/Sgt and wife

ACTION OR COMMENTS: No conclusions

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Very large, silver object which moved very little.  
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