# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 4 June 1955 | Parker, Arizona | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
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| **5. PHOTOS**<br>☐ Yes<br>☒ No | **6. SOURCE**<br>1. Civ (Plt) 2. Military (Plt) | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☒ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
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Investigated by Flight 1-C with the conclusion that the sighting was caused by the planet Jupiter.

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1. (A) ROUND IN SHAPE (B) PEA (C) RED ON BOTTOM WHITE OR PALE YELLOW IN THE MIDDLE, AND PALE BLUE OR GREEN ON THE TOP (D) ONE (E) N/A (F) NEG (G) NO TAIL (H) NO SOUND (I) NEG

2. SIGHTED IN THE WEST, MOVING WEST (A) GOOKED UP AND SAW IT (B) FORTY-FIVE DEGREES UPON LAST OBSERVATION (D) DIRECT FLIGHT TO THE WEST (E) SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE (F) APPROXIMATELY THREE MINUTES

3. (A) GROUND VISUAL (B) BINOCULARS WERE USED (C) T-33, AF 516592, 20,000 FT., 300 DEGREES, 350 KNOTS LAREDO AFB TEXAS

4. 4 JUNE 1955, 1950 PDT (A) 05/0250Z (B) ALMOST DUSK

5. EJFE 4208

6. (A) [redacted], ARIZONA, AGE 41, HARDWARE STORE OWNER (B) B. E. BEECROFT, 1ST/LT, 3641 PT SQ. LAREDO AFB

TEXAS, FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR, ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY IS GOOD

7. (A) CLEAR, CALM, TEMPERATURE 92 DEGREES (B) 300 DEGREES 8 KNOTS, 6,000 FT 290 DEG, 3 KNOTS; 12,000 FT 040 DEG 4 KNOTS, 16,000 FT 300 DEG 17 KNOTS, 20,000 FT 340 DEG 13 KNOTS, 30,000 FT 040 DEG 43 KNOTS, 50,000 FT UNKNOWN, 80,000 FT UNKNOWN (C) 30,000 FT BROKEN (D) FORTY MILES (E) UNKNOWN (F) N/A

8. SEE REMARKS

9. N/A

10. ONE CONSTELLATION ONE T-33 (AF) DERECTLY IN AREA OF UFOB

11. A CONSTELLATION , TWA 21, REPORTED NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS. HOWEVER, HE STATED THAT THERE WAS AN UNUSUAL CLOUD FORMATION IN AREA. HE CLAIMED THAT THE SUN COULD HAVE CAUSED HALUCINATIONS WHILE FILTERING THROUGH THE STRANGE LOOKING CLOUD FORMATION. TWA 21 WAS OVER THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE UFOB REPORTED LOCATION WITHIN MINUTES OF THE ORIGINAL SIGHTING BY GOC.

THE USAF T-33 516592, ENCOUNTERED EXTREME VARIATIONS IN HIS MAGNETIC COMPASS AND HIS SLAVE GYRO. HIS SLAVE GYRO WAS PRECESSING AT A RATE OF TWENTY DEGREES EVERY TWELVE MILES AT THE TIME OF PASSING THE UFOB LOCATION. HIS ORIGINAL HEADING WAS 260 DEGREES WHEN APPROACHING

THE UFOB REPORTED POSITION. HOWEVER, AFTER FLYING ONLY THIRTY TO FORTY MILES WEST OF THE UFOB POSITION, HIS SLAVE GYRO HAD PRECESSED TO 320 DEGREES. WHEN PASSING THE SMALL TOWN OF VIDAL, CALIF WHICH WAS CLOSE TO THE UFOB REPORTED LOCATION, THE PILOT SIGHTED WHAT HE THOUGHT TO BE AN EXTREMELY LARGE STAR. THE OBJECT APPEARED HIGH TO HIM. (PILOT'S ALTITUDE WAS 20,000 FT., BROKEN LAYER OF CLOUDS WERE AT 30,000 FT. THIS WOULD SEEM TO FIX THE ALTITUDE OF THE OBJECT BETWEEN 20,000 FT AND 30,000 FT.) PILOT ESTIMATED THE LENGTH OF OBSERVANCE OF THE OBJECT AT THREE MINUTES. THE OBJECT DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY. HE DID NOT NOTICE ANY UNUSUAL COLORING OTHER THAN THAT NORMALLY SEEN WHEN VIEWING A STAR. HE STATED THAT THERE WERE NO OTHER STARS VISIBLE.

ALTHOUGH THE OBJECT APPEARED STATIONARY TO THE AND HIS STUDENT CADET, THE HEADING OF THE T-33 WAS WESTERLY AS WAS THE DIRECTION OF FLIGHT OF THE UFOB AS REPORTED BY THE GOC POST. THIS COULD ACCOUNT FOR A STATIONARY APPEARANCE TO THE PILOTS OF THE T-33.

SUMMARY: IT IS POSSIBLE THAT BOTH THE GOC POST AND THE T-33 PILOTS SIGHTED THE TWA 21 CONSTELLATION MOMENTARILLY. IN THE EVIDENTALLY WEIRD LIGHTING EFFECT FROM THE SUN FILTERING THROUGH THE UNUSUAL CLOUD FORMATION, THE CONSTELLATION MAY HAVE APPEARED QUITE

UNUSUAL. HOWEVER, THE EXTREME DISTURBANCE OF AIRCRAFT MAGNETIC AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS IS NOT AN UNCOMMON OCCURANCE IN THIS PARICULAR LOCATION. TWO OTHER INCIDENTS SIMILAR TO THAT EXPERIENCED BY THE T-33 HAVE OCCURED TWICE IN THE PAST CONSECUTIVE NIGHTS IN THE SAME LOCATION. EACH TIME, THIS RADAR STATION HAS BEEN ABLE TO REMEDY THE INCORRECT HEADINGS OF THE AIRCRAFT AND POSSIBLE TRAGEDY HAS BEEN AVOIDED. THE T-33 (AF 516592) MENTIONED HEREIN CONTINUED TO EXPERIENCE GREAT ERROR IN HIS INSTRUMENT READINGS THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE FLIGHT. CONTINUAL NEW HEADINGS WERE GIVEN THE PILOT FROM THIS RADAR STATION UNTIL THE DESTINATION, NORTON AFB SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF, WAS REACHED. THE PILOT OF THE T-33 STATED THAT HE HAD HAD NO OTHER NAVIGATIONAL DIFFICULTY PRIOR TO APPROACHING THE TOWN OF VIDAL, CALIF.

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THERE IS SOME ELECTRO-MAGNETIC OF MEGNETIC ATTRACTION IN THE VICINITY OF VIDAL, CALIF.. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT IT IS NOT A NATURAL ATTRACTION. THE COINCIDENCE, OF AN UNUSUAL SIGHTING (AS CONFIRMED BOTH GROUND AND AIRBORNE PERSONNEL) SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE PILOTS EXPERIENCING GROSSLY ERRATIC INSTRUMENT READINGS, IS TOO GREAT TO BE JUST A MERE COINCIDENCE.

PREPARING OFFICER: 1ST/LT JAMES D. BUNCH, USAF SENIOR DIRECTOR, "C" CREW. PD

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: UFOB

| PLACE & FREQUENCY OF OBSERVATION | EVALUATION |
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| PARKER, ARIZONA, USA | Flight [illegible] |
| DATE OF REPORT: 13 June 1955 | DATE OF INFORMATION: 4 June 1955 |
| PREPARED BY (Office): WILLIAM M CONNOR, 2nd Lt, USAF | SOURCE: [redacted] |
| REFERENCES (Cables, numbers, dispatches, previous reports, date of supplements): 1st ESC, 7515t ACWRON, OPS5-2 024, DTD 050810Z JUN 55 | |

SUMMARY (Abstract of information in report. Use unclassified terms to the fullest extent possible. If security classification of the abstract is different from the report, indicate it.)

I. CONTENTS:

PART ONE: Description of sighting by R. M. VASQUEZ, P.O. Box 216, PARKER, ARIZONA (ETEX 4308), hardware store owner.

PART TWO: Description of sighting by 1st Lt [illegible], 1707th ABS, LAREDO AFB, TEXAS (FDEN 3332), flight instructor.

PART THREE: Supplementary Investigative Report.

PART FOUR: Comments of Preparing Officer.

II. SUMMARY: The UFOB sighting made at 050250Z June 55 in the vicinity of PARKER, ARIZONA was very probably caused by the planet Jupiter. The characteristics of Jupiter and the descriptions of the sightings made by the observers coincide almost exactly.

III. INVESTIGATORS: 2nd Lt WILLIAM M CONNOR, AO 2015271

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| ORIGINATING AGENCY | FILE NO. | CARD NO. |
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| Flight T-0, 7602d AISS | AO-0003-9-65 | |

1. SOURCE: [redacted]

Address: PARKER, ARIZONA (US)

Age: 14

Occupation: [redacted]

Education: Unknown

Qualifications: [illegible] observer

2. Date/Time/Duration: Source was interviewed [illegible] in person.

3. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: Source was [illegible] object came into view. It was stationary [illegible] to be moving in a westerly direction. It [illegible] shortly thereafter. The object [illegible] to be round, the size of a pea held [illegible] on the bottom, white or pale yellow in the middle, and green on the top. There was only one object and there was no [illegible] distinguishing characteristics [illegible]. The manner of observation was [illegible] of day sighting occurred was almost dusk.

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| ORIGINATING AGENCY | REPORT NO. | PART I & II |
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| Flight 1-C, 1602d AISS | 1-C-UFOB-9-55 | |

I. SOURCE: B. S. BOLDRUPT, Lt Col, USAF

Address: 6511 Permit Square
Laredo AFB, Texas

Age: Unknown

Occupation: Pilot (Flight Instructor)

Education: Unknown

Qualifications: Pilot

II. RELIABILITY: Although SOURCE was not interrogated by this agency, previous checks of his military record considered his reliability to be good.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: SOURCE reported what he believed to be an extremely large ship which passed over the town of VIDAL, CALIFORNIA, USA (Lat 34° 07' N, Long 114° 35' W) to the west of PARKER, ARIZONA, USA. SOURCE was flying at an altitude of 20,000 ft on a westerly direction at the time of the sighting. The object appeared to be high in the sky (appeared to remain stationary). SOURCE observed object for approximately three minutes before it disappeared suddenly. No exhaust or any unusual colors, nor did he notice any other objects at the time. SOURCE however stated that at the time of UFOB sighting he encountered extreme magnetic variations in his magnetic compass and slave gyro. His slave gyro precessed at the rate of as much as 20 degrees in twelve miles at the time of passing the UFOB location.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

1. An interview with Mr. [redacted] professor of astronomy at the San Bernardino Valley College in SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA, revealed the following information.

a. On 7 June 1955, the planet JUPITER was in a position [redacted] of the sun and at an approximate angular distance of 40 degrees from the sun. JUPITER is the second brightest of the planets, being surpassed by only VENUS, and is often visible at twilight.

b. JUPITER's orbit would have placed it almost directly west of the location of the observer and to an angle of [redacted] approximately 40 - 45 degrees at or [redacted] the time of the sighting.

c. Color of the UFOB. As for the colors reported by the ground observer who was using binoculars to aid in the sighting, [redacted] stated that many times the use of a low power telescope will cause planets and stars to take on various colors. Although [redacted] never observed planets through binoculars, he stated that it would not be unlikely that they would have the same effect.

The pilot of the T-33 who saw what he believed to be a disc stated that it had no unusual colors. He observed the object with the naked eye.

Besides the color effect caused by refraction through a powerful telescope, the broken cloud layer at 20,000 ft would be likely to lend color to the planet JUPITER or other heavenly bodies under observation.

d. Movement of the UFOB. [redacted] stated that, to the untrained eye, the movement of clouds could very easily make the planet appear to have a definite heading and movement of its own. The sudden disappearance could have been caused by interference by the cloud layer at 20,000 ft with the line of sight of the observer.

e. It is possible that the ground observer and the aerial observer were not looking at the same object. It is almost certain, however, that what the pilot observed was a star or planet, probably JUPITER, since pilots are required to be familiar with celestial navigation and should be able to differentiate between heavenly bodies and unknown objects.

f. In conclusion, Mr. [redacted] stated that it was very probable that the object sighted by the ground observer was the planet JUPITER and that JUPITER also probably caused the sighting made by the aerial observer. All descriptions of the object given by the observers during [redacted] could be fitted to the planet JUPITER.

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| Flight 1-2, 6502d AUSS | [redacted] | [redacted] |

SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:

1. An interview with Mr. [redacted], professor of astronomy at the San Bernardino Valley College in SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA revealed the following information:

a. On 4 June 1955, the planet JUPITER was in a position [redacted] of the sun and at an approximate angular distance of 140 - 145 degrees from the sun. JUPITER is the second brightest of the planets, being surpassed by only VENUS, and is often visible at twilight.

b. JUPITER's orbit would have placed it almost directly West of the location of the observer and at an angle of elevation of approximately 40 - 45 degrees at about the time of the sighting.

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COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

1. The sighting made 0502Z 2 JUN 55 at GROUND 5018 1602 was determined to be very probably caused by the planet JUPITER for the following reasons:

a. The interview with the astronomer, Mr. [redacted] left little doubt in the investigator's mind but that the sighting was caused by the planet JUPITER.

b. All descriptions of the object could very readily and very easily be fitted to JUPITER. One means of observation, ground visual with use of binoculars, could easily give the impression of color from JUPITER. The other means of observation, from an aircraft with no visual aid, would make JUPITER appear as a star, since it was the brightest heavenly body in that section of the sky at the time of the sighting.

c. The reported movement of the object could be attributed to movement of the broken cloud layer at 20,000 ft.

2. Any connection the reportedly extreme magnetic variation in the area of the sighting at the time of the sighting might have had with the sighting, could not be checked due to poor weather conditions and non-availability of a pilot. Since there have been two other occasions of pilots experiencing extreme magnetic variation in this area, it is not likely that there was any connection with sighting at all. However, Norton AFB has received no formal reports that such a condition does exist, and is very interested in determining if there is anything to this report. As soon as a check is made, the results thereof will be forwarded to Headquarters, 1602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron for inclusion in this report if it is deemed necessary. It is the opinion of the Preparing Officer, however, that there is no connection between the two events.

William M. Connor

WILLIAM M. CONNOR
2nd Lt. USAF
Officer in Charge

COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

Concur with the opinion of the Preparing Officer that the sighting was probably caused by the planet Jupiter.

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