PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
5 November 1957	Whitman AFB, Missouri	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
Local Z GMT 05/1020 [illegible] 1215	☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes Radar ☐ No	**6. SOURCE** Military Radar Personnel	☒ Other Spurious Radar Returns ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE
Separate sightings 11 to 18 minutes	7, separately	varied

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

A number of radar tracks at different times were observed on the evening & night of 5 Nov 57. The objects would speed up then slow down with no set pattern to direction. The speeds, however, appeared so slow as to first indicate ground targets. Traffic checked in area indicated B-47 and an airliner but would not account for the radar returns shown, although the blips did resemble a/c.

11. COMMENTS

Review of all factors; locale, fact that activity took place within short distance of runway, weather conditions, temperatures, etc. indicate that the returns were spurious. RAPCON (search radar) set used.

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ZULU ANOTHER SIGHTING, S[illegible] ATT 1.

SPEED ESTIMATED AT 12[illegible] KNOTS. PART V-1038 ZULU A LARGER

UFO SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY 30 NM NORTH OF WHITEMAN AFB. HEADING

WAS 290 DEGREES AND SPEED 140 KNOTS. PART VI - 1057 ZULU, 3 UFO'S

SIGHTED 40-50 NM NORTH OF WHITEMAN AFB, HEADED EASTWARD.

SPEED AND RANGE NOT RECORDED. PART VII- 1224 ZULU, 3 UFO'S

SIGHTED NORTH OF WHITEMAN AFB AT 30-50 NM. HEADING VARIED 090-

135 DEGREES. SPEED OF FIRST OBJECT ESTIM

TED AT 300-350 KNOTS.

LAST OBJECT SLOWED DOWN TO APPROXIMATELY 30 KNOTS. PART VIII- 1215

ZULU, ONE UFO 50 NM WEST OF WHITEMAN AFB ON BEARING OF 270

DEGREES. [illegible] COMMAND NOTIFIED AT RICHARDS-GEBAUR AFB. THEY

ALVISED THAT COMMERICAL AIRLINER WAS IN AREA AT TIME OF THIS

SIGHTING. PART IX- MILITARY FLIGHT SERVICE WAS KEPT INFORMED OF ALL

SIGHTINGS. NO TRAFFIC REPORTED IN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTINGS EXCEPT

FOR POSSIBILITY NOTED IN PART VIII. PART X- WEATHER CONDITIONS

DURING SIGHTINGS AS FOLLOWS: CLOUD COVERAGE 2500 FEET SCATTERED;

12,000 FEET OVERCAST, VISIBILITY 10 NM AT SURFACE. WINDS

120 DEGREES, 3 KNOTS (SURFACE), 240 DEGREES, 15 KNOTS (5000 FEET)

260 DEGREES AND 22 KNOTS (10,000 FEET). 270 DEGREES, 30; KNOTS (OIN

000 FEET) PART XI- RADAR EQUIPMENT CAPABILITY PLACE ALL SIGHTINGS

BELOW 20,000 FEET ALTITUDE. SIZ OF OBJECTS UNDETERMINED. RADAR

RETURN SIMILIAR TO SHAPE CREATED BY AIRCRAFT. PART XII- MSG

TRANSMITTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH AFR 200-2.

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FM COMBOMWGM 342
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RJEPLC/COMAF 8

DCI 742, S [illegible]: (U) SPECIAL. THIS MESSAGE IN TWELVE PARTS. PART I-THIS SECTION OF TEXT IN PARTS II THRU VIII OF MSG SIGHTED ON SEARCH RADAR (RAPCON) BY PERSONNEL OF 1991ST AACS, WHITEMAN AFB, MO, 5 NOVEMBER 1957. PART II- 1022 ZULU UFO DETECTED ON HEADING OF 350-020 DEGREES APPROACHING FROM A POSITION 20 MI SOUTH OF WHITEMAN AFB. OBJECT STOPPED FOR TWO SWEEPS OF RADAR (5-7 SECONDS) THEN MADE A VERY TIGHT TURN RIGHT TO 135 DEGREE PROCEEDING IN DIRECTION OF VICHY VOR. ALTITUDE UNDETERMINED: SPEED ESTIMATED AT 70 KNOTS. MILITARY FLIGHT SERVICE ADVISED. PART III- 1025 ZULU SIGHTED ANOTHER UFO FOLLOWING SAME PATTERN AND APPROX SPEED. PART IV-1030

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/UNCLAS/DOE 175, SUBJ: CORRECTION TO DOE MESSAGE 750.

REFERENCE MESSAGE THIS HQ. DOE 750, SUBJECT: UFOB, DATED 7 NOV 57.

FOLLOWING ARE ZULU TIME CORRECTIONS FOR ABOVE REFERENCED MESSAGE.

PART II CHANGE 1039-1052 ZULU 7 NOV 57 TO 2239-2252 ZULU 6 NOV 57.

PART III CHANGE 1059 ZULU TO 2259 ZULU 6 NOV 57. PART IV CHANGE

1151 ZULU TO 2351 ZULU 6 NOV 57. CHANGE 1157 ZULU TO 2357 ZULU

6 NOV 57. CHANGE 1158 ZULU TO 2358 ZULU 6 NOV 57. CHANGE 1159 ZULU

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1238 ZULU TO 0038 ZULU 7 NOV 57. CHANGE 1236 ZULU TO 0036 ZULU

7 NOV 57. CHANGE 1243 ZULU TO 0043 ZULU 7 NOV 57. CHANGE

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1517 ZULU TO 0317 ZULU 7 NOV 57. PART VIII CHANGE 1520 ZULU TO

0320 ZULU 7 NOV 57. PART IX CHANGE 1526 ZULU TO 0326 ZULU 7 NOV 57.

CHANGE 1534 ZULU TO 0334 ZULU 7 NOV 57.

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FILE NO.	SUBJECT
	Request for Analysis - Electronic UFO Report

TO AFCIN-4E1 FROM AFCIN-4E4 DATE 7 Nov 57 COMMENT NO. 1

4E4/Capt G.T.Gregory/wm
69216

1. In accordance with established USAF policies that UFO reports of apparent electronics origin be given detailed study, request attached be given an analysis, with your conclusions by return comment hereon.

2. Teletype message contains pertinent signal and other radar data to assist you in this matter.

Henry A. Miley
HENRY A. MILEY
AFCIN-4E4

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TT Msg DOI 742
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SUBJECT: Request for Analysis - Electronic UFO Report

TO: AFCIN-4E4 | FROM: AFCIN-4E1 | DATE: 12 Nov 57 COMMENT NR. 2

AFCIN-4E1a/V. D. Bryant/jc
72131/Bldg 263-D/Rm 8

1. Except for the rather slow speeds reported, there is little of the unusual in these reported sightings. The fact that no intercepts were attempted, and also that no reference is made to visual observation or observation by other radars in the area make it impossible to determine with any degree of certainty whether the targets observed were true or false. (Insufficient data).

for GORDON C. HOFFMAN Capt
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4E1

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1ST Rept Evaluation

More detailed info. and evaluation see DF to 4E1 dtd 17 Dec 57

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TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado

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Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

TO: Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: AFCIN 4E4, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

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Request for Analysis - Electronic UFO Reports

AFCIN-4E1 AFCIN-4E4 25 NOV 57

Attn: Col. Hoffman

1. Request that the attached radar reports, together with scope plots and photographs be reviewed, and an analysis be made by comment attached on separate sheets.

2. Radar UFO report on TT Msg carries a "Priority" classification. The other (Plots and Photos) has resulted in queries from Headquarters, USAF regarding our findings.

3. With regard to the latter report -- a cursory plot indicates that the "UFO blips" appeared within a 1 to 3 miles radius of the radar unit intermittently for three hours, yet it appears that no attempt was made to visually identify, or check on the cause of signal.

4. This office should like to bring to your attention, that in contrast to previous periods where only an occasional radar UFO would be received, a large number are now being submitted. These will be submitted after a screening and successful analysis by this office.

5. In accordance with suggestions made in conference with Ma[redacted] last July, field units have been notified that all possible data together with scope photos should be submitted with subject reports, if successful conclusions are to be made. Current reports indicate that this is being complied with.

Incls.
1. TT Msg T57-31737-1
2. Ltr. dtd 19 Nov 57 w/8 photos + lockets

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UFO Report T57-31887

AFCIN-4E4 AFCIN-4E1

17 Dec 57
AFCIN-4E1a/V. D. Bryant/jc
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Included in this CASE are
8 8"×10" radar photos,
Whiteman AFB, MO
6 Nov 57

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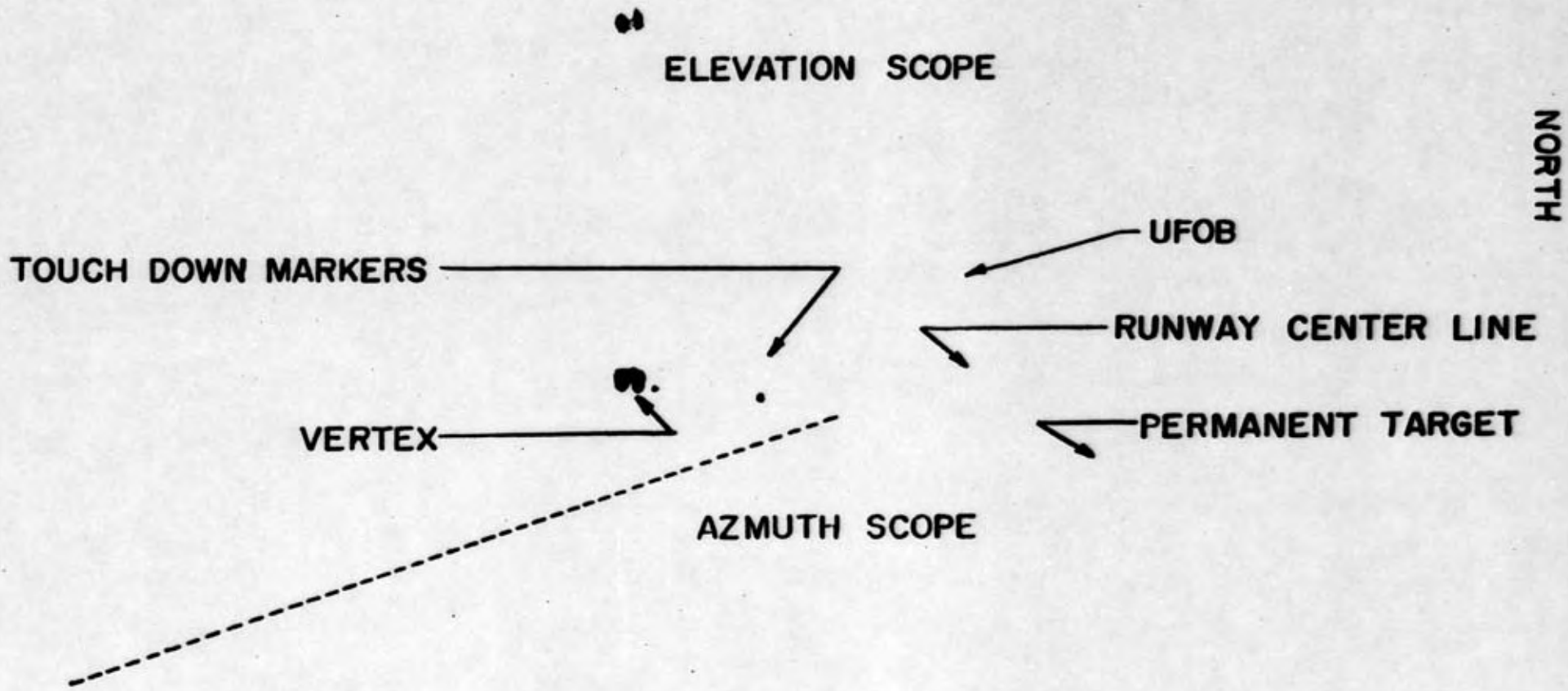

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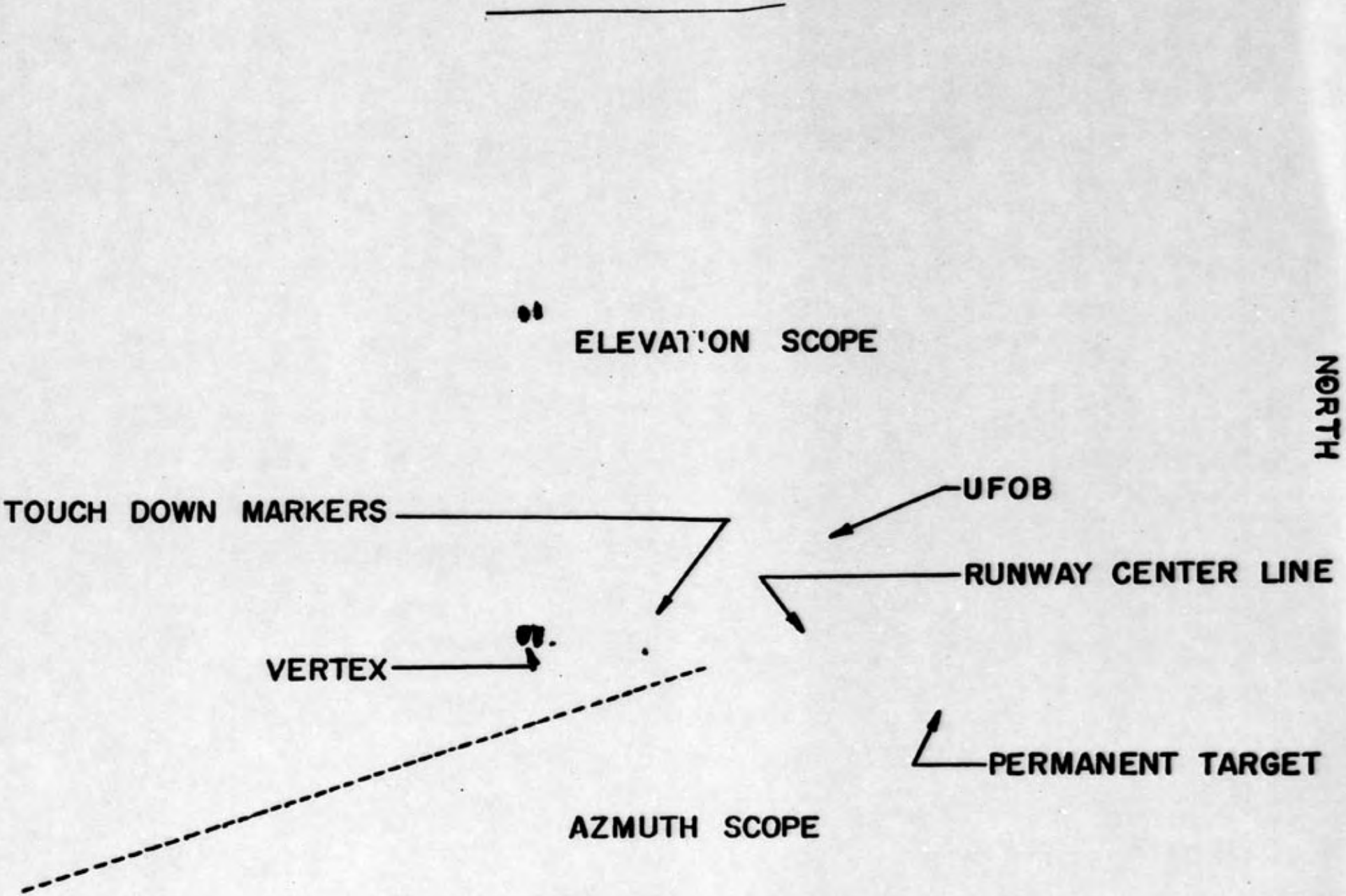

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