PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 20 August 65 21/0216Z	2. LOCATION Plattsburg, New York
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION A/C VISUAL RADAR 1 A/C W/ ECM
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Visual characteristics of an A/C. Radar returns indicate an a/c with ECM or "Jamming" equipment. Flight pattern consistant with this evaluation.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS GCA Radar experienced jamming for a period consistant with the visual sighting. Jamming confined to the position of the object under observation. Jamming ceased with the departure of the objx. Object manuvered. Described as flat 15-20 ft in diameter. Color was bright metallic with bluish reflection. Circled back and forth with high speed turns. Turns included circles with 1/2 mile radius. Turns were high speed and the distance from the observer estimated at 2-3 miles. After circling for 2 minutes the object flew away to the East at high speed. Flight near base of clouds at 4,500 ft. Flight consistant with A/C on jamming mission.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Grdn-Visual, Grnd-RADAR	
7. COURSE Manuvered	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

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UFO Sighting, 20 August 1965

SEP 14 1965

380 SAW
Attn: 1st Lt David C Norton
Plattsburgh AFB, New York

1. Reference your message 38Ø DCOIIØ1Ø99 AUT 65. Object observed on the night of 20 August 1965 by Major Harry Hutton has all the characteristics of an aircraft sighting. Request investigation into possible aircraft in the area at time of observation.

2. At the time of the sighting the GCA radar at Plattsburgh AFB, indicated jamming. The reported disappearance of an object on GCA radar was to the West while the visual observation indicated departure to the East. It is requested that a more detailed report of the radar portion be obtained to include duration and possible causes of the jamming.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

ORIGINATOR: H. Quintanilla, Jr. DATED 14 Sept 65
TDEW/UFO Maj H Quintanilla, Jr

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AF IN : 16579 (24 Aug 65) H/ab

ACTION: NIN-7

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-8, SAF-OS-3, JCS/DIA-1

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UNCLAS 380 DCOI101099 AUT 65.

FOR AFCIN AT HQ USAF AND SAFOI AT SECRETARY OF THE AF. SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT. A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: 1 SHAPE -ROUND, FLAT, DISC SHAPED. ESTIMATED 15-20 FT DIAMETER. 2 SIZED COMPARED TO A KNOWN OBJECT:. 3 COLOR -BRIGHT, METALLIC, BLUISH REFECTION -HIGH INTENSITY. REFLECTION. 4 NUMBER ONE. 5 FORMATION-

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CICLING BACK AND FORTH WITH HIGH SPEED TURNS.N
RADIUS OF CIRCLES, APPROXIMATELY 1/2 MILE. RADIUS AT
AGE 2 RUEAHM 44 UNCLAS
DISTANCE FROM OBSERVER 2-3 MILES. 6. ANY DISCERNIBLE
FEATURES OR DETAILS RAPID RATE TRUNS, HIGHT RATE OF
ACCELARATION. 7 TAIL TRAIL , OR EXHAUST NONE
OBSERVED. 8 SOUND NONE 9 OTHER PERTINENT OR
UNUSAL FEATURES AFTER OBJECT WES OBSERVED MAKING
RAPID RATE TURNS WITHIN A RADIUS COVERABE FOR ABOUT
2 MINUTES, IT ACCELERATED RAPIDLY TO THE EAST AT A SPEED
ESTIMATED AT MACH 1.5 T 2. B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE
OF OBJECT: 1 WHAT FIRST CALLED THE ATTENTION OF
OBSERVER TO THE OBJECT SON CALLED OBSERVER'S ATTENTION
TO THE OBJECT. 2 ANGLE OR ELEVATION ANS AZIMUTH OF
OBJECT WHEN FIRST OBSERVED 165 180 OBJECT NEAR
BASE OF CLOUDS (CLOUD BASE AT 4500 FT). 3 ANGLE OR
ELEVATION AND AZIMQSH OF OBJECT UPON DISAPPERANCE
130 TO THE EAST. ALTITUDE VARYING IN/OUT OF CLOUDS.
COURSE WOULD HAVE TAKEN OBJECT APPROXIMATELY 8NM NORTH
OF BURLINGTON VT. 4 DES CRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND

MANEUVERS OF OBJECT HIGH SPEED CIRCLING TURNS WITH
NO PARTICULAR PATTERN. 5 HOW DID THE OBJECT
DISAPPER RAPIDLY TO THE EAST 6. HOW WAS THE
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OBJECT VISIBLE APPROXIMATELY THREE MINUTES 2126Z
2129Z (1926L - 1929L). C. MATTER OF OBSERVATION:
1 GROUND VISUAL . 2 OPTICAL AIDS JAPANESE
FIELD ARTILLERY BINOCULARS. D. TIME AND DATE OF
SIGHTING 1 TIME /DATE 20 AUG 65 2126-2129Z. 21/02102
2 LIGHT CONDITIONS BRIGH LATE AFTERNOON SUN.
EM LOCATION OF OBSERVERS: 820B NEVADA OVAL OLD BASE
PLATTSBURGH AFB NY APPROXIMATE GEOGRAPHICAL
COORDINATES 44 40' 40"N/73 26' 30"W OBJECT WAS
AASSUMED TO BE 2-3 MILES SE OF OBSERVER. THIS PLACES IT
IN THE VICINITY OF INDIAN POINT (DAY BROS BEACH) ON THE
WEST BANK OF LAKE CHAMPLAIN (APPROXIMATE LOCATION- 44
38'N/73 26'W). F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION N OBSEFVER-
MILITARY [redacted] MAJOR, USA [redacted]
380 SAW AGE 41, APPROXIMATELY 4000 HOURS FLIGHT TIME,
20 YEARS ACTIVE DUTY, CMMAND PILOT, SECURITY CLEARANCE

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TOP SECRET , CRYPTO, PRESENTLY ON FLYING STATUS AS IP AND STANDARDIZATION PILOT -C-123. EVALUATION: SOURCE SEEMS TO BE RELIABLE. FIRST TIME IN FLYING EXPERIENCE WHAT THIS HAS OCCURRED. G. WEATHER AND WINDS: REPORT

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FROM DET 7, 8TH WEA SQ, MATS, PLATTSBURGH AFB NY-2000Z -2200Z 20 AUG 65. 1 WINDS SURFACE 070 AT 7K 69 - 6,000 350/10KNOTS 4 -10,000 280/20 2 -16,000 280/40 -8 20,000 280/60 - 15 30,000 280/85-44 50,000 280/70. 2 CEILING -4500 SCATTERED. 3 VISIBILITY-40 MILES. 4 AMOUNT OF CLOUD CVER SCATTERED. 5 VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT N/A. H. ANY OTER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY: A SIGHTING WAS MADE ON THE GCA RADAR AT PLATTSBURGH AFB ABOUT 2130Z, 20 AUG 65. A PHENOMENA OF ISOLATED, HIGH INTENSITY JAMMNG WAS NOTED. THE AREA OF JAMMING WAS CENTERED IN THE NORTHWEST QUADRANT OF THE RADAR APPROXIMATELY 15/20 MILES FROM THE STIE. AS OBJECT WAS WATCHED, IT WAS OBLONG IN SHAPE WITH NEITHER ANY RIMS OR RAGGED EDGEDS. THE OBJECT STARYD WEST OF SCOPE AND CAME WITHIN TEN MILES OF FIELD AND LEFT

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TOWARDS THE NORTH. OBSERVER [redacted]
TSGT, USAF, [redacted] AFSC 27270, EXPERIENCE AS AIR
TRAFFIC CONTROLLER SINCE JUN 58. J. LOCATION,
APPROXIMATE ALTITUDE, AND GENERAL DIRE CTION OF FLIGHT OF
ANY AIR TRAFFIC: NO WEATHER BALLON WAS RELEASE AT THIS
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TIME. THERE WAS NO AIR TRAFFIC IN IMMEDIATE AREA AT
2130Z. K. POSITION TITLE AND COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING
OFFICER. DAVID C. NORTON , 1S T LT, A03118676- THE
EXPERIENCE OF THE SOURCE AND THE JAMMING TO THE GCA
RADAR DENOTE THAT AN UNUSUAL PHENOMINON TOOK PLACE
IN THIS AREA.
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