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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 5 Apr 52

2. LOCATION: Phoenix, Arizona

3. DATE-TIME GROUP: Local 1040 MST; GMT 05/1740

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION: ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS: ☐ Yes ☒ No

6. SOURCE: 4 civilians

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION:

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: 3

9. COURSE:

12. CONCLUSIONS:
- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☒ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft
- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other
- ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING:

Dull grey color. Circular. Straight and level maneuvers.

Two F-86's landed at Luke AFB from Winslow shortly after sighting.

Three F-51's were enroute from Phoenix to Winslow.

11. COMMENTS:

One object was sighted, it disappeared then reappeared and was joined by two other objects, and they formed a V-formation.

Speed very fast.

No vapor trails.

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 7

DATE: 5 Apr 52

TIME (Local): 1040

LOCATION: Phoenix, Ariz.

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: Not Reported

SOUND: Unknown

SPEED: 1/2 falling comet

ALTITUDE: 40,000'

HEADING: N

SOURCE: Civilians

ACTION OR COMMENTS: Three F-51's in area and flying north at the time.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Three large, circular objects of dull gray color with no wings, flame, or smoke. [redacted]

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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Phoenix, Arizona	127th Pilot Training Wing (Intelligence)

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
9 April 1952	5 April 1952	F-6

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
Captain Frederick R Rosper Jr, Intel O	Base Operations Office & Area O.S.I..

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

SUMMARY: (Brief concise summary of report. Give significance in final paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Digest text of report on AF Form 112—Part II)

Report submitted in compliance with AFOIN-C/CC-2, Department of the Air Force, dated 19 Dec 51.

Observation of 3 unidentified flying objects by 4 civilian inhabitants of the Phoenix area.

No significance attached to this lone report. However, if substantiated by reports in surrounding areas, pertinent information may be incorporated.

APPROVED:

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FROM (COMMAND)	REPORT NO.	PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES
127th Pilot Training Wing Luke AFB, Phoenix, Arizona	IR-1-52	

Major William E. Casterline, AO 416 269, Base Operations Officer, was contacted by telephone by Mr. Leslie G. Ryan of 4432 Grand Avenue, Glendale, Arizona (Phone: Glendale 9993) at 1040 on 5 April 1952, who reported a sighting of 3 unidentified flying objects.

O.S.I. for this area made a follow-up investigation and accumulated the following information:

1. Three flying objects were viewed by Mr. & Mrs. Ryan, Mr. Robert L. Stokes, and Mr. Darwin Schook, all of the above address.

2. Mr. Ryan and Mr. Stokes were interviewed and described the objects as large and circular. No wings, flame, smoke, or other identifying evidences of conventional flying objects were visible. The color was a dull grey, resembling unpolished aluminum.

3. The first object was sighted and disappeared. Immediately, 2 more were sighted traveling in the same direction as the first. The 3 objects formed a large "V" formation.

4. The approximate altitude was guessed to be over 40,000 feet, and the speed, about half the rate of a "falling comet." The direction of flight was north.

5. The weather conditions at the time of the sighting were reported as follows: Ceiling - clear; Visibility - 45 miles; Wind - calm.

6. Two F-86s landed at this base shortly after the reported sighting. The pilots reported that they had flown their last leg from Winslow, Arizona (north of Phoenix) and had sighted no strange objects. They did report a formation of 3 F-51s reporting in over Winslow from Phoenix.

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