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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 6 Apr 52

2. LOCATION: Miller-Graughan AFB, Temple, Texas

3. DATE-TIME GROUP: Local 1459; GMT 2059

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

5. PHOTOS: ☐ Yes ☒ No

6. SOURCE: civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 3½ minutes

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: 50-75

9. COURSE:

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING: Grayish white color. Disc shape. 2100 is balloon launch but no known balloons in this area.

11. COMMENTS: Circular formation. While formation covered space at full moon. First seen 30 deg - 40 deg elev 390 deg. Moved to 5 deg elev 350 deg

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

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 7

DATE: 6 Apr 52

TIME (Local): 1459

LOCATION: Ft. Hood, Texas

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: 3-30 Min.

SOUND: Unknown

SPEED: Unknown

ALTITUDE: 30° - 40°

HEADING: Unknown

SOURCE: Civilian

ACTION OR COMMENTS: No conclusions.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Group of 50 or 75 grayish-white objects shaped like a disc and in formation, changing position constantly.

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SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Flying Objects

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)	
Texas	OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE, JAMES CONNALLY AIR FORCE BASE	
DATE OF REPORT: 7 Apr 52	DATE OF INFORMATION: 6 Apr 52	EVALUATION: B-2
PREPARED BY (Officer): WILLIAM M HARVEY, JR., 1ST LT., USAF	SOURCE: Mr. Herman L. Russell, Temple, Texas	

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable): Ltr, AFOIN-C/CC-2, Hq USAF, 19 Oct 52

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 113—Part II.)

This report gives available facts on the sighting of a group of unidentified flying objects. The observation was made by Mr. Herman L. Russell at Miller-Draughan AFB, Temple, Texas on the 6th of April, 1952.

2 INCLS
1. Statement (Mr. Russell)
2. Drawing of objects

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The objects appeared in a group of 50 to 75. They were of a greyish-white metallic nature and disc-like in shape. The objects were in a circular formation, the whole formation covering an area comparable to the visual space of a "full moon". They were not spaced in any particular geometrical manner but seemed to keep a comparatively equal distance between each other.

There was no sound emitted and the speed of the group was not estimated. There was no trail or exhaust and the type of propulsion was not known.

At regularly spaced intervals of time, which were estimated to have been between 12 and 15 seconds, every disc-like object in the formation seemed to tilt from one side to the other on a horizontal axis flashing in exact unison. Each flash or tilt lasted about 2 seconds. The action resembled the movement of the slats of a venetian blind when rocked up and down horizontally. After the first two (2) minutes of observation the cluster of objects seemed to lessen in number in the center of the circle while becoming more dense on the outer rim. From their original position, 30° to 40° above the horizon in the north-north western sky, where the objects were first sighted, they moved upward on the horizon about 5° and approximately 10° to 15° horizontally. During the entire observation the objects continued their rhythmic tilting at intervals of 12 to 15 seconds. Moving away from the observer at the approximate angle of observation the objects gradually faded out of sight.

The cluster of objects were first sighted by the observer on 6 April 1952 at 1459 hours and were under his observation for 3 minutes and 30 seconds. The formation was estimated to have been approximately 15 or 25 miles away at an elevation of 30° to 40° above the horizon.

The geographical coordinates of the observer's location are 31°, 09' N-97°, 24', and 30'' seconds west. This is the approximate location of Draughan - Miller AFB at Temple, Texas.

The weather in this area at the time of observation was as follows: clear with 15 miles visibility - 8 MPH wind from southwest - temp. 86° and dew point .52.

There were no unusual meteorological activities or conditions at the time of sighting, nor are there any fragments or physical evidence other than Mr. Russell's drawing of the formation in flight which has been photostated for use as an inclosure. There has been no identification action taken.

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