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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
28 April, 1960

2. LOCATION
Smithville, Tennessee

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local _____
GMT 29/0540Z

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

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☒ No

6. SOURCE
Civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
three minutes

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
One

9. COURSE
South then East

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING
Round red flashing light, size of a basketball observed to stop three times and then turn to the East and disappear in distance.

11. COMMENTS
Believed to be aircraft by reporting official. Concur with the report.

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

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

HEADQUARTERS
SEWART AIR FORCE BASE
and
839th AIR BASE GROUP (TAC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Sewart Air Force Base, Tennessee

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: BDO

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Report

3 MAY 1960

TO: Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

In accordance with AFR 200-2, the attached UFO Report is submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

James A. Weston

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2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Dir of Adm

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AF Form 112 & 112a

CLASSIFICATION

COUNTRY OF ACTIVITY REPORTING	REPORT NO.	(Leave blank)
Sewart Air Force Base, Tenn	1	

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS	DATE OF INFORMATION	
UFO	0640Z/29 Apr 60	
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT	DATE OF COLLECTION	SRI STATUS (If applicable)
839th Air Base Group BDO Sewart Air Force Base, Tennessee	2 May 1960	SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL	DATE OF REPORT	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
1/LT. Jim E. Hartley	3 May 1960	SRI NO. ACTIVE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE	EVALUATION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)
Flashing Red Light		

REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

N/A

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

UFO Report

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

See 112a

The narrative report deals with a flashing red light which was observed during the hours of darkness. The locale was near the local airport. The investigating officer felt strongly that the flashing light was on an aircraft.

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ORIGINATING AGENCY	REPORT NO.	PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES
839th Air Base Group BDO Sewart AFB, Tennessee	1	

A. (1) UFO, Round
(2) Size of a Basketball
(3) Red
(4) N/A
(5) One
(6) Red Flashing Light
(7) None
(8) No sound heard
(9) None

B. (1) Observer went outside to get coal for his stove.
(2) Estimated at 200 or 300 feet above the surface coming from the North proceeding South.
(3) Proceeding East approximately the same altitude.
(4) The observer stated to the investigating officer the object came from the North going South, stopped three times, turned East and disappeared out of sight.
(5) Disappeared slowly to the East.
(6) Observer saw the object for three (3) minutes.

C. (1) Ground-Visual
(2) No opticals used
(3) N/A

D. (1) 0540Z 29 April 1960
(2) Night

E. (1) One half (½) mile East of Smithville, Tennessee.

F. (1) [redacted] Age 28, Rout[redacted] Smithville, Tennessee

G. (1) Clear
(2) Surface-Calm, 6000-180/15, 10000-250/15, 16000-280/25, 20000-280/35, 30000-290/60, 50000-260/20, 80000-Not available.
(3) Clear
(4) 10 Miles
(5) None
(6) None
(7) Inversion just starting

H. (1) None

I. (1) No action taken

J. (1) None

K. Helicopter Pilot and Squadron Adminstrative Officer. I interviewed the observer Mr. [redacted] and received the above information from him concerning the object he saw. I am of the opinion that the flashing red light that Mr. [redacted] saw came from an aircraft a considerable distance farther away than he thought because it was at night and he stated the speed was very slow and that he thought it stopped three times and then disappeared. I gave Mr. [redacted] my opinion and he stated it could have been an aircraft, but wasn't sure.

No Case (Information Only)

15 April 1960
Mt. Prospect, New Hampshire

(April 15 at about 11:00 p.m. other witnesses had reported a long red cigar-shaped object moving erratically near the top of Mount Prospect, N.H.

No Case (Information Only)

19 April 1960
Conrad, Montana

April 19: Conrad, Montana—A young farmer spotted an oblong UFO about 5:45 p.m. while driving his tractor in a field, when the sudden glare of reflected sunlight from the UFO caused him to look up. David Doheny, described by the local newspaper as "sober and industrious," said the strange silent UFO circled around slowly, at times hovering at low altitude. The editor of the local "Independent-Observer," who said he too had seen some strange UFOs, talked to Doheny and then advised him to report the sighting to the local Air Force base.

1960

No Case (Information Only)

20 April 1960
Big Bend, Wisconsin

[redacted]

1960

No Case (Information Only)

25 April 1960
Plymoth, New Hampshire

On April 24 at Plymouth a large group of persons sighted a bluish-green flying object, saucer-shaped over Cape Cod and eastern Massachusetts.

April 25: Plymouth, N.H.—Former Selectman Arnold W. Spencer reported seeing a bright cigar-shaped UFO with blunted ends, hovering in the eastern sky about 9:00 p.m. Then it suddenly moved off to the south at high speed, lighting up tree branches as it passed, disappearing in about 30 seconds.

The UFO was dark scarlet in color and had bands or streamers of pulsating light running vertically through the body. It was sharply defined.

No Case (Information Only)

28 April 1960
West Thornton, New Hampshire

.On April 28 a similar cigar-shaped UFO was sighted by a West Thornton, N.H., woman about 9:30 p.m. The bright red object looked "like a huge candle or log standing on end, pointed or tapered toward the top." It rose quickly casting a bright light on the ground and moved off to the west.]

MAY 1960 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
May	Decatur, Illinois	[redacted] (PHOTOS)	Other (IMAGINATION)
1	Glendale, Arizona	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
1	E of Hawaiian Islands	Military	Other (FLARE)
2	Trout Run, Pennsylvania	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
2	Bayonne, New Jersey	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
3&6	West Hartford, Connecticut	[redacted]	Aircraft
6	Seattle, Washington	[redacted] (PHOTO)	Other (REFLECTION/HOAX)
7	Regina, Canada, Montana	Military (RADAR)	Balloon
8	Dayton, Ohio	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
8	Southern Norway	Multi	Other (CLOUDS)
9	Ottawa, Canada	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
9	Vicinity Waco, Texas	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
10	WSW of Hawaiian Islands	USN	Astro (METEOR)
12	San Gabriel, California	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
16	Loftabal, Iran	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
16	Dallas, Texas	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
17	SW of Albans, West Virginia	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
18	Dayton, Ohio	[redacted]	Aircraft
19	Tallassee, Alabama	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
19	Dillingham, Alaska	Natives	Balloon
20	Rhodesia, Africa	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
20	Jaffrey Center, New Hampshire	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
21	Malden, Massachusetts	[redacted]	Other(REFLECTION)
22	Mangham, Louisiana	[redacted]	Balloon
24	Murfreesboro, Tennessee	[redacted]	Balloon
24	Bear Lake, Florida	[redacted]	Satellite
24	Southwestern Canada	Military	Astro (METEOR)
25	North Miami, Florida	[redacted]	Astro (JUPITER)
26	Naples, New York	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
27	Vicinity Midway Island	Military	Insufficient Data
27	E of Japan (42.15N 157.25E)	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
28	Beatley, Michigan	[redacted] (PHYSICAL S)	Other (IRON)
28	Penns Park, Pennsylvania	Multi/Beckman	Other (REFLECTION)
28	El Paso, Texas	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
29	Chapleston, Maine	[redacted]	Astro (MARS)
29	Champagne, Yukon, Canada Area	Civilian Pilots	Insufficient Data
30	Las Vegas, Nevada	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
30	St Louis, Missouri	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
31	Manus Island, Admiralites	Multi	Astro (METEOR)
31	23 Mi S of Joliet, Illinois	[redacted]	Astro (JUPITER)

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCE	EVALUATION
May	Walled Lake, Michigan	[redacted] (Ltr)	
4	Sarasota, Florida	Newsclipping	
4	Bedford, Massachusetts	Newsclipping	
11	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Summary - Fireball Reports	
13	Boston, Massachusetts	[redacted] (Ltr)	
18	Fiji, Island	Newsclipping	
22	Majorca Island	Newsclipping	
24	Ocumare Del Tuy, Venezuela	Newsclipping	
26	Rolla, Missouri	[redacted] (Ltr)	