

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

DATE 7 July 1950		LOCATION Wiesbaden, Germany	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 2120Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE H11	☐ Was Astronomical ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 17 Min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2 or 3	9. COURSE ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING While trying to land a USAF ACFT, GEA operators picked up 2 or 3 more targets (blurred, but individual)		11. COMMENTS Probable flt of jet ACFT	

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2. The sources stated that after observing the new target for several minutes, it appeared to separate into 2 or 3 blurred individual targets, spaced 90° to 100° apart. The separate targets then seemed to move at a very high rate of speed in a counterclockwise motion on the scope. These targets appeared to be from 3 to 4 miles distant from the operators and at an angle too high for good target return. The targets were lost from sight at approximately 2137Z as the operators concentrated on the aircraft under control.

3. According to the two sources, the speed of the unidentified objects suggested the possibility of their being jet aircraft.

4. The Wiesbaden control tower operator was contacted after the observation, he stated that no jet aircraft were known to be flying in the area at that time.

HQ MATS COMMENT:

An airman of the 1947th AACS Squadron, occupying quarters in the town of Wiesbaden reported to the organization's Security Officer that he heard sounds similar to those made by low-flying jet aircraft at about 2200Z on 7 July 1950. The airman reportedly made this statement without advance knowledge of the radar contacts.

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