

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 Aug 52		2. LOCATION Richmond, Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2330 GMT 27033		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE civilian		☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 40 min.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Yellow, red. Round. Slow, straight up.				11. COMMENTS Could be balloon.	

ACTION

1. U.S. Navy
2. Ates
3. C. files

RA163

WPF122

YDB089

TYE200

TMA110

JEPQW B108

PP JEDEN JEDWP JEPHQ JEPNB 444

DE ROSLYN NY 208/JEPQW 52D

P 2715 J0Z

FM CO 771ST ACANDW SQ FT CUSTIS VA

TO JEPHQ/HQ USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/AIR TECH INTEL CEN WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

INFO JEPNB/CG EADF STEWART AFB NY

ZEN/CG 26TH ADIV DEF ROSLYN NY

~~RESTRICTED~~ / ACGDOW 1103 PD FLYOBRPT PD IAW AF LTR 200-5 DTD

TWO NINE APR FIVE TMA FOLG IS SUBMTD CLN IAW PAR SEVEN CHARLIE PD

PAR ONE CMA ONE ROUND OBJECT CMA LARGE CMA MOVING SLOWLY TO THE WEST

PD WAS YELLOW AND RED IN COLOR AND OBSVR STATES HE THOUGHT IT COULD BE A

BALLON PD NO AERODYNAMIC FEATURES CMA NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST CMA NO

PROPULSION SYSTEM PD OBJECT MOVED STRAIGHT UP AND THEN DISAPPEARED

PD PAR TWO CMA OBJECT WAS OBSVD AT TWO THREE THREE ^{2330 Z} ZERO ZEBRA CMA

TWO SIX AUG FIVE TWO AND REMAINED IN SIGHT FOR FOUR ⁴⁰ ZERO MINUTES PD

PAR THREE CMA OBSVD VISUALLY FROM GOUND PD PAR FOUR CMA OBSVR WAS

AT THREE SEVEN DEGREES THREE FOUR MINUTES NORTH LAT CMA SEVEN SEVEN

2335Z

18:00

EST

PAGE TWO ROSLYN NY 208/JEPQW 52D

77 25'W

DEGREES TWO FIVE MINUTES WEST LONG PD WAS OBSVD BY MISS [REDACTED]
CMA [REDACTED] CMA RICHMOND CMA VIRGINIA PD
PHONE EIGHT TWO ZERO FIVE TWO FOUR PD RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE
UNKNOWN PD PAR SIX CMA CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED PF PST
DRBRN CMA EIGHT CMA NINE AND TEN CMA NO INFO RPTD PD END
27/1740Z AUG JEPQW

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(PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET)

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>26 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Richmond, Va.</i>	3. TIME <i>27</i> Local: 2230Z Zebra: <i>2330Z</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
☒ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ Normal ☐ Violent		
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: ☐ Blinking ☒ Steady		
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: ☐ 1-15 Seconds ☒ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>CO 771ST AC+W Sq. Ft. Custis, Va.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac) ☒ Night ☐ Day ☐ Sunrise ☐ Sunset		

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft		
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION? ☐ Yes ☐ No		

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA?					☒ Yes		☐ No	
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE:					<u>30</u> Minutes			
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:								
	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting		
				Yes	No			
a.	<u>Richmond</u>	<u>RA</u>	<u>W. B.</u>	☒	☐			
b.				☐	☐			
c.				☐	☐			
d.				☐	☐			

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE: ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Unreliable ☐ Extremely Doubtful ☐ Hoax	22. DETAILS OF REPORT: ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate		
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24. COMMENTS:			

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1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
7. CLOUD COVER:				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		CAVU _____ MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					