

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 Dec 52	2. LOCATION NARSARSSUAK AFB, GREENLAND	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
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 18/1145 GMT 18/1745Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Airman & Civ Secretary	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE W
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object appeared to climb vertically then level off, climb again and disappear. Emitted black trail at beginning of ascent gradually becoming lighter. Weather conditions were calm & clear. A/c in area of sighting are as follows: One L-20, one C-54, one SA-16 and one SB-17.		11. COMMENTS 1. Object was SB-17 a/c.

Narsarssuah AFB, Greenland

18 December 1952

I. Description of Incident

An unidentified aerial object was sighted to the northwest of this air base by an Air Force Staff Sergeant and a civilian. The unknown object appeared to climb vertically and then level off. It gave off a black smoke at the beginning of its ascent.

II. Discussion of Incident

There was an L-20, a C-54, an A-16, and an SB-17 in the area. The air base making the report later notified ATIC that the object had been definitely established as the SB-17.

III. Conclusion

Was aircraft.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS;
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.
DOD DIR 5200.10

AS
JAN 1953 00 33 Z

RA009

WPA011

TYA007

JEZ C007

JEX C1

RR JEDWP

DE JEXC 117

R 052108Z

FM CG NEAC PEPPERRELL AFB NFD

TO AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

NEOIN 00142 ATTN ATIAA-2C REFERENCE OUR NEOIN 19075. NULLIFY.

IDENTIFIED AS SB-17

05/2130Z JAN JEXC

ATIA
1953 JAN 5

NEOR

1- ATIA
2- ATIA
3- C files

Fowles
Jackovich

J

041

19 DEC 1952 22 42 Z

HR 1. Attn
2. Attn
3. C. files

RA203 EWPA240

TYB282

JEZ D230

JEX C131V

PP JEDWP

DE JEXC 55

P 192030Z

FM CG NEAC PEPPERRELL AFB NF

TO ATIC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

NEOIN19075 ATTN: ATIAA-2C FLYCERPT UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT

SIGHTED 10 TO 15 MILES WEST NORTH WEST NARSARSSUAK AIR BASE

GREENLAND ABOUT 181745Z BY TWO OBSERVERS STAFF SERGEANT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] CIVILIAN SECRETARY FROM HEADQUARTERS

BUILDING OBJECT APPEARED TO CLIMB VERTICALLY THEN LEVEL OFF THEN

CLIMB AGAIN IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION AND DISAPPEAR EMMITTED

BLACK TRAIL AT BEGINNING OF ASCENT GRADUALLY BECOMING LIGHTER

VISIBILITY EXCELLENT WEATHER CALM SPEED OF ASCENT SLOW WITH

GRADUAL ACCELERATION ALTITUDE UNKNOWN KNOWN AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA

WERE: L-20 C-54 SA-16 AND SB-17 THIS INCIDENT HAS BEEN MULTIPLE

ADDRESSED TO HEADQUARTERS USAF AND HEADQUARTERS ADC ON NAR-

SARSSUAK INT 10673 DTG 182045Z

19/2031Z DEC JEXC

ATIC
INFOR
19 DEC 19

Insert info.

cyl

PD066 W

TYD082

BT700

EG A27

RR JEDWP BEPW 222

DE BEGC 15B

R 190147Z

FM COMEASTSEAFRON

INFO JEDWP/AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE WRIGHT PATTERSON CENTER AFB

OHIO

BEPW/DIRECTOR NAVAL INTELLIGENCE NAVY DEPT WASHDC

OP 182136Z

FM NAVSTA ARGENTIA

TO CINCLANTFLT

COMEASTSEAFRON

INFO CGEADF

COMEASTAREA

CG 32ND AIR DIV

CG 26TH AIR DIV

OC 182045Z

FM CO NARSARSSUAK AIR BASE GRNLD

TO HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC

CG NEAC IEPIERREL AF NFLD

CG ADC ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

CG AAC ELEMENDORF ALDA

19 DEC 1952 05 18 Z

82

23
1. Attn
2. Steup
3. C. file
INFOR
ATC
1952 DEC 19

CO USNS ARGENTIA NF

HQ CANAIRDEF ST HUBRYQUEB

CO 64TH AIR DIVISION PEPPERRELL AFB NF

CO CO THULE AFB GRNLD

CO SONDRESTROM AFB GRNLD

CO GOOSE BAY AFB LAB

AF BRNC

INT 12673 UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT SIGHTED 12 15 MILES

WEST NORTH WEST THIS STATION APPROXIMATELY 1745 ZEBRA BY STAFF

SARGENT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] CMA CIVILIAN SECRETARY

CAM FROM BASE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING PD OBJECT APPEARED TO CLIMB

VERTICALLY THEN LEVEL OFF THEN AGAIN CLIMB IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION

AND DISAPPEAR PD OBJECT EMITTED BLACK TRAIL AT BEGINNING OF

ASCENT GRADUALLY BECOMING LIGHTER PD VISIBILITY EXCELLENT CMA

WEATHER CLAM PD SPEED AND ALTITUDE UNKNOWN PD SLOW ASCENT WITH

CADUAL AECCELERATION PD AIRCRAFT IN AREA WERE CLN L-20 C-54

A-16 SB-17 PD SIGHTING REPORTED AT 2200 ZEBRA ID NO FURT ER INFO

PD

18/2057Z DEC JEMC

cy