

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 January 1955		2. LOCATION Falls Church, Virginia		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 2005 EST GMT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS three		9. COURSE Northwest	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object resembled stars, no trail, no sound, object in wedge formation. Changed position, maneuvered, heading toward Washington, D.C.				11. COMMENTS Probable a/c.	

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JEPLG/COMTAC LANGLEY AFB VA

FROM AFOIN 31872 UFOB. ATTN CLN ATIAA-2C. THREE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED FLYING NEAR FALLS CHURCH CMM VA. NO SHAPE OR SIZE GIVEN SMCLN HOWEVER CMM VAGUE DESCRIPTION THAT THEY RESEMBLED STARS. NO AERODYNAMIC FEATHRES NOTICED. NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST NOTED. NO ESTIMATED SPEED CMM ALTITUDE FIRST REPORTED ONE TO THREE THOUSAND FEET CMM LATER CHANGED TO TEN THOUSAND FEET BECAUSE OF ANGLE. OBJECTS IN WEDGE FORMATION HEADING NE IN DIRECTION OF WASHINGTON SMCLN LIGHTS CHANGED POSITION WHILE BEING OBSERVED. OBJECTS FIRST SIGHTED 2005 HOURS CMM EST CMM SIGHTING LASTED FIVE MINUTES. REPORTED BY ~~REDACTED~~ CMM DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANALYST. A VISUAL GROUND OBSERVATION WITHOUT OPTICAL OR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WAS MADE.

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WEATHER CLEAR AT TIME OF SIGHTING. COMMERCIAL AIRLINER MAKING APPROACH INTO WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT TERMINATED SIGHTING SMCLN AS LIGHTS CHANGED COURSE CMM ONE FELL BEHIND CMM THEN ACCELERATED IN EFFORT TO CATCH UP SMCLN ALL THREE TURNED TOWARDS NW SECTION OF WASHINGTON AND DISAPPEARED.

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