PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION		12.	CONCLUSIONS
10 February 1955 3. DATE-TIME GROUP	Bethesda, Maryland  4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION			Was Balloon Probably Balloon Possibly Balloon
Local 2203 hrs	Ground-Visual	O Ground-Radar	00	Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft
GMT_11/0303Z	D Air-Visual	D Air-Intercept Radar		Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS  C) Yes	6. SOURCE Civilian		D	Was Astronomical Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE		
				Insufficient Data for Evaluation Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	one	11. COMMENTS		
Saucer shaped illuminous tude of 150! Seen while Color of moon, "a yellow color," and had a flat to Spherical bottom. Remain for 30 seconds, then the tion appeared to assume shape, obj. seemed to do Dark cloudy night. No movisible.				

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SUBJECT: (Unclassified)

Unidentified Flying Object Observed in Vicinity

of Bethesda, Maryland on 10 February 1955

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TO:

Director, Special Investigations

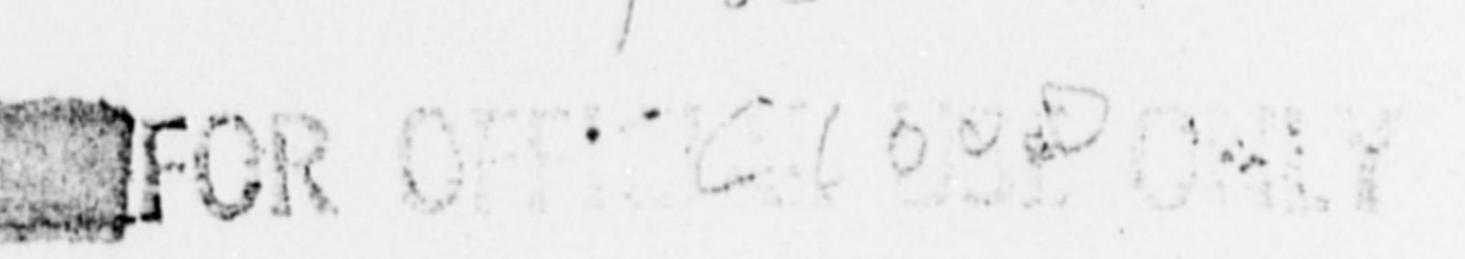
Headquarters USAF Washington 25, D. C.

- 1. Reference is made to telephonic conversation between Lt. Colonel EUGEME MCRITZ, Chief, Sabotage and Espionage Branch, Counter Intelligence Division, your Directorate, and Mr. CHARLES A. SITHER, this office, regarding the above Subject on 16 February 1955.
- 2. At the request of Lt. Colonel MCRITZ, Captain WILLIAM A. BROCKETT, 73572, U. S. Navy, Industrial Officer, Eureau of Ships, David Taylor Model Basin, Carderock, Maryland, was interviewed on 16 February 1955. He advised that Mr. The state of the David Taylor Model Basin, had, on Friday, 11 February 1955, reported that he had seen an unidentified, saucer-shaped, illuminous object while driving in his car at approximately 2200 hours the previous night.
- 3. Accordingly, on this same date, Tr. Who is employed as act in the Metal Working Shop, Industrial Division, Bureau of Ships, Department of the Navy, Lavid Taylor Model Basin, Carderock, Maryland, was interviewed at the above installation, He advised that at approximately 2203 hours, Thursday, 10 February 1955, while driving his car east on McArthur Boulevard, Bethesda, Taryland, between 75th or 76th Street and the entrance to Cabin John Gardens, a distance of approximately two (2) city blocks, he observed an illuminous object shaped like a very small portion of the bottom of the moon, very slightly, if any, to the right of his car and at an altitude of approximately one hundred and fifty (150) feet. 'cording to this object appeared to be enormous in size, between three (3) to four (4) hundred yards in length and ten (10) to fifteen (15) feet high at its widest point. He stated that it was about the color of the moon, "a yellowish, radiant color", and had a flat top, parallel to the horizon, and a spherical bottom. I recalled that it remained

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in the above-described shape and position, apparently not moving, for approximately thirty (30) seconds. He stated that the bottom portion then appeared to assume a funnel type shape, approximately thirty (30) to fifty (50) feet in depth at its widest point, narrowing at the bottom, and the object seemed to diminish in size. Upon arriving at the entrance to the Cabin John Gardens, according to the drove back to the place where he had first sighted the object and retraced his route. He stated that, at trat time, the object was not visible. He said that he had observed the object for approximately one and one-half (lt) to two (2) minutes, and that his wife, dente. ten years of age, were present in the car at the time of the incident and also observed the object. Trecalled that it was a dark, cloudy night with no moon or stars visible, and that there were no other cars on the road at that particular time.

- 4. Mr. also advised that he was an amateur "astrologer" for approximately seven (7) years until 1951, and that he has never previously seen an object of this size and shape. He could offer no logical explanation for the occurence, and stated that he heard nothing which might resemble aircraft engine noises.
- 5. gave his home address ask faryland.
- 6. No further pertinent information concerning this matter was furnished by either a bor Captain BROCKETT. No further action is contemplated by this District Office.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

CHARLES A. SITHER

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