

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>15 March 1956</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Harrisburg, S. Central Pa. and New York City</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>15/0750Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE <u>Civilian (2 obsvrs were a/c pilots)</u>		☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>five seconds</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>west to east</u>	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object, the size of a wuarter held at arms length. Reddish orange in color. Bluish white in front with a reddish-orange tail. Appeared as a brilliant reddish orange glow in the northern skies. The object appeared to be descending in the north. Seen by two pilots (separate aircraft) and one observer on ground.		11. COMMENTS This headquarters is of the opinion that this sighting was generated by a meteor for the following reasons: the description of the object; the fact that it had a tail (or trail); the description of that tail; the duration of the sighting; the course of the object; the colors of the object; and the fact that this object was seen at widely scattered points indicating that it was very high in atmosphere.	

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OO RJEDWP RJEDEN RJEPHQ RJEPNY
DE RJEDLS 121A
O 150945Z
FM FLT SVC CEN ONSTED AFB PA
TO RJEDWP/CMDR AIR TECH INT CEN WPAFB
DJEPHQ/DIR OF INT HEDUSAG WASHDC
RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO.
RJEPNY/COMDR 26TH ADC NY
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UFOB

15 March

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5. LOCATION OF OBSERVER (S)

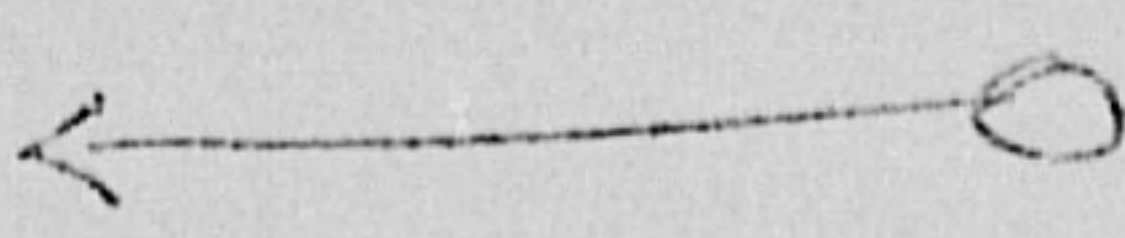
40DEG 15'N-76DEG 30'W

40DEG 45'N -73DEG 50'W

40DEG 17'N -78DEG 18'W

1. DESCRIPTION:

A UNDETERMINED BUT LARGE

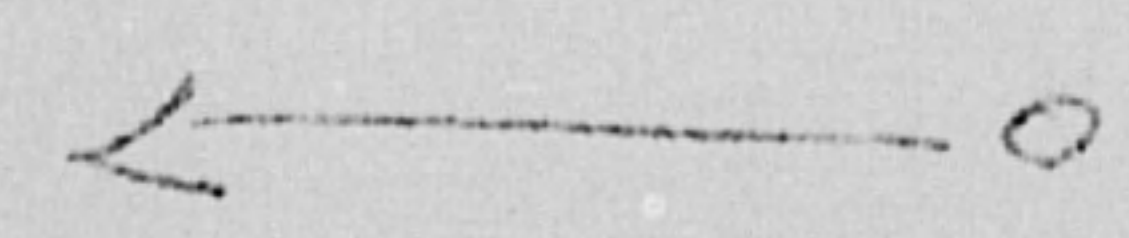
B QUARTER 

C REDDISH- ORANGE

D ONE

E -NEG

F BLUEISH FRONT

G REDDISH ORANGE ABOUT SIZE OF TRANSPORT ACFT 

H - NEG

1956, Mar. 15 - Early - Ontario - "Ball-of-Fire" seen overhead, intense light, roaring sound. "Almost certainly a Meteor," Experts said.

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I NEG

2. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

A BRILLIANT ORANGE RED GLOW

B 45 DEG - 345 DEG

C 20 DEG - 360 DEG

D WEST TO EAST

E DECENDING 35 DEG

F 5 SECONDS

3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

A GROUND VISUAL AND AIR VISUAL

B NONE

C MARTIN 404 TWA 121 8000 FT 281 DEG 203K LAGUARDIA, NY

CONNIE TWA 96 11000 FT 115 DEG 280 K CHECAGO ILL

4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

A 0750Z 15 MAR 56

B NIGHT

5. LOCATION OF OBSERVER (S)

40 DEG 15' N - 76 DEG 30' W

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6. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL BOSERVER(S)

A MSRS FRANK [REDACTED] PA SCHOOL

TEACHER

[REDACTED] 36 PILOT TWA LAGUARDIA FLD NY

[REDACTED] 35 PILOT TWA CHICAGO ILL

7. WEATHER AND WINDS- ALOFT CONDITION

AT TIME & PLACE OF SIGHTING

A CLEAR

B SURFACE

6,000' -270 DEG 60 KT

10,000' -270 DEG 70 KT

160,000' -260 DEG 120KT

20,000' -260 D 100KT

30,000' -250 DEG 120KT

50,000' -240 DEG 190KT

C33BKN

D10 MILES

E 6/10

F NONE

8. NONE

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9. NONE

10. TWAFLIGHT 96 EASTBOUND HAR-PHL

TWA FLIGHT 121 WESTBUND PHL-HAR

11. OPERATIONS OFFICER

MILITARY FLIGHT SERVICE

12. NONE

BT

15/0950Z MAR RJEDLS

ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

MAY 4 22 40 '56

FROM: (Originator) SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

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DATE-TIME GROUP
041700Z MAY 56SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIEDPRECEDENCE
FOR: ACTION
ROUTINE

INFORMATION

TO: Comdr, ADC, Ent AFB,
Colorado Springs, Colo☐ BOOK MESSAGE☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION

☐ YES☐ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION
RB-122CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIED

INFO:

FROM: AFOIN-4E4 - 5-487-E

(Uncl) Investigation of UFO report is subject. Ref msg RB-122 fm Flight SVS Center, Olmsted AFB, dtd 15 Mar 56, cy sent you same date. Observers of sighting TWA pilots. Review of this case difficult due to insufficiency of data, and apparent non-follow up for investigating details, which now lacking and necessary if proper analysis and identification to be made. Request investigation for more details. Following should be considered:

a. Did observers' ever see meteors or fireballs?

b. Do they think this could have been meteor or fireball?

c. If so, how did object differ from meteor or fireball?

d. UFO rpt states object size of quarter (1b) but tail size of transport a/c (1g).

This request submitted on assumption no further action or ll2 contemplated, as none recd this date.

COORDINATION:

AFOIN-4E4

Dr. H.A. Miley

DATE 4 May 56

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIED

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

Capt G.T. Gregory/wm

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

SYMBOL

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TELEPHONE

69216

OFFICIAL TITLE

4 MAY 1956

T. J. CONNAIR, JR.,

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