

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 April 1956	2. LOCATION Richmond, 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 _____ GMT 21/1539Z to 1836Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian - five people - GOC Military - two people - GOC		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION approximately one hour	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE northeast	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object, round on top coming to a point at the bottom, size of a basket ball at arm's length, light translucent silvery color, and appeared to be a balloon. Moved slowly to the north-east at a high altitude & gradually disappeared. Seen through 2 telescopes, one of 35 power. A light aircraft fm a nearby field sent to 6,000 feet to observe the object but seemed no closer than when on the ground. F-94C made short search of area with negative results.		11. COMMENTS Concur with the Commander, Richmond Air Defense Filter Center, that this sighting was undoubtedly caused by a balloon. Received by letter, 26 April 1956. No Report In File	