PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

20 September 1956 3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1840, 1940	2. LOCATION Ashford, Kent, England 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION MC Ground-Visual Ground-Radar D Air-Visual D Air-Intercept Rada 6. SOURCE Civilian, Military		12. CONCLUSIONS Was Balloon Probably Balloon Possibly Balloon Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Probably Astronomical Probably Astronomical Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical
S. PHOTOS O You XXXX No			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not rotd	a. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one each		Other
Calls to AFB tower of Reported as bright of SW of base.	oncerning UFO;s	after sight other than who could g details. On	received four days ing. No followup check w/tower operator ive no additional ly names and towns received (no address).

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 25 SEP 52)

42540

Country: United Kingdom

Subject: Report on Unidentified Flying

Object

Source: British Civilians

Set 1/1, Card 1/2

UNCLASSIFIED

ATIC #: 298762

AF #: 1037272

Rpt. #: IR-9-56

Agency: 406th Fighter Interceptor

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D.R.: September 24, 1956

D.I.: September 20, 1956

Eval: C-3

Two calls were received by the Control Tower at Manston AF Base, England concerning Unidentified Flying Objects on the night of September 20, 1956. First call at 1900 local time was from Mrs. dd, Kent. She reported seeing a bright object in the sky 15 miles SW of Ashford. A second call came about 2350 local time from Sgt. of Rochester, Kent. He reported seeing an object in the sky at 1840 and again at 1940 local time at Gillingham, Kent. It was headed SE and then SSE. Both calls were put into Flight Service at this Base and they in turn gave it to the RAF Liaison Officer at Oxbridge. He in turn called the Base Operation and said that they might have been cosmic ray balloons.

Preparing Officer's Comments:

The above information was obtained on the September 24, 1956. Four days

Sat 1/1, Card 2/2

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after the event took place. I checked with the Liaison Officer at Oxbridge, but was unable to obtain any further information. The addresses of the sighters was unknown except for the towns in which they live. The Tower Operator could give no further information.

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CKC/maf January 9, 1957