PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 September 1956	**2. LOCATION** Craig, Colorado	**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 27/0155Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION ten minutes	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** fourteen	**9. COURSE** North to Southeast

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Approximately 14 lights arranged as a string as described: uniform in distance and appeared to be similar to a string of cabin lights on a modern passenger aircraft as seen from the ground. Object was traveling from the North to the Southeast at approximately one or two thousand feet altitude. Object was observed visually for ten minutes.

11. COMMENTS

Contact w/Frontier Air Lines indicates that airline flys over Craig on the flight fm Salt Lake City to Denver. Flight left Salt Lake at 1805. Description & duration of sighting indicates sighting caused by a/c, probably DC-3 commercial. Since there was an absence of sound and the Frontier flight could not have traveled, if on schedule, fm Salt Lake to Craig in 50 minutes, case evaluated as probably a/c.

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DETACHMENT #4
4679TH GROUND OBSERVER SQUADRON
P.O. Box 1092
Colorado Springs, Colorado

2 October 1956

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Commander
4602nd Air Intelligence Service Squadron
ATTN: AISCC
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

The inclosed report of an unidentified flying object is forwarded in accordance with phone conversation between Lt. Machyowsky, your organization and Lt. Kingery, this unit.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

HUGH E. KINGERY
1st Lt., USAF
Adjutant

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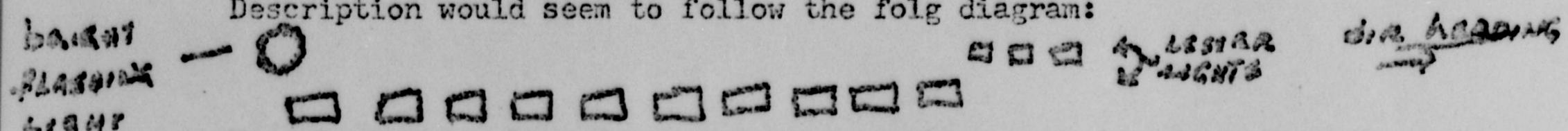
On the morning of 28 Sep 56, the undersigned interviewed Mr [redacted], and his wife Mrs [redacted] Craig, regarding a report of an unidentified object seen moving over the Craig area the evening of 26 September 1956.

The object is described as a string of lights, approximately ten, preceded by three or four lights, smaller and immediately above and slightly ahead of the others. These lights were uniform in distance, and appeared to be similar to a string of cabin lights on a modern passenger a/c as seen from the ground. Description would seem to follow the folg diagram:



The shape and color of the object are unknown, as it was dark at the time of sighting. No other lights were sighted, so it is not known if the object had wings or tail structure. No smoke or vapor trail was seen, also because of darkness.

The lights were first sighted by Mr [redacted] as he was climbing the outside stairs to his second floor apartment in down town Craig. He said his attention was first called to the object when a bright flash in the sky caught his eye. He then watched the lights move from a point approximately one mile directly north of Craig south east till it passed out of sight, to the south east.

Approximate speed of the object was 85 to 100 MPH. As the object flew by, a bright light similar to a carbon arc light began flashing on and off. In [redacted] words "looked much like an airplane beacon flashing." It continued till object was gone.

At <u>no</u> time during the observation was <u>any sound heard</u>. Which

is strange in view of the fact that it passed almost directly over Craig. M[redacted] believes the object was roughly one to two thousand feet above the ground.

There were three other witnesses to this action. All agree on time, course and visual characteristics. Object was first sighted at 0155 Zebra time, and was in sight approximately 10 minutes. It was first sighted at grid coordinates November Lima 2732, and flew a direct course to November Lima 3031, where it passed out of sight. The light was still flashing with regularity, seeming to be on top of, or on the stern section of the object.

Weather was fair, no cloud cover, with thin haze in the east. No wind, temperature 55-50.

Mr[redacted] is 28, employed as a night baker, veteran of the Navy (Security Dept). Mailing address, Craig.

Other witnesses: Mrs [redacted] (wife)

M[redacted] (father)

Mrs[redacted] (mother)

This report was first made to James M. Pughe, Moffat by CD in Craig. Mr Pughe checked with Craig airport. No a/c had taken off or landed there recently.

A check with GOC posts in this area has been negative as regards any object of this description.

/s/ C. Nelson

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