PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
14 October 1956	Batavio, Ohio	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1845 GMT 14/2345Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☒ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION more than 1 minute	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one **9. COURSE** north	☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object assumed to be a jet making a vapor trail observed for more than one minute. Reddish orange. Trail didn't get longer. Object turned at right angle up.

11. COMMENTS

Trail condensation and dissipation depends upon the conditions in the air. Under certain conditions the dissipation is rapid and if so the trail would tend to remain the same length. Also the turn indicated to the witness depends upon the angle that the a/z was moving, the direction of the turn and the dissance from the obsrvr. Nothing in rpt to conflict w/a/c analysis.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

C.R.I.F.O.

Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects

[redacted]
Director
[redacted]
Cincinnati 27, Ohio

November 7, 1956

Captain G. T. Gregory
A.T.I.C
Wright-Patterson AFB
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Captain Gregory,

Enclosed herewith are three photographs and five negatives obtained by the writer from Mr. [redacted], [redacted] Betts Ave., North College Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio, which may be of interest to your command. Mr. [redacted]s telephone number is as follows: JA: [redacted]. He is an employee of the local General Electric Co. and told the writer that he formerly had been a professional photographer, and, is at present, interested in astronomy, particularly lunar studies. He is in contact with members of the Cincinnati Astronomical Society. According to Mr. [redacted], photograph (which I have marked #3) with partial ovoid light cannot be easily explained. Taken through his telescope, Mr. [redacted] said that he knew of no light of any kind before his lens, nor was he aware of any unusual lights in the sky, that is., any lights appearing nearby which would show up at the size indicated. However, through powerful magnification an object, appearing visually as a pinpoint of light, may show up as photographed. Ruled out were Newton ring phenomena.

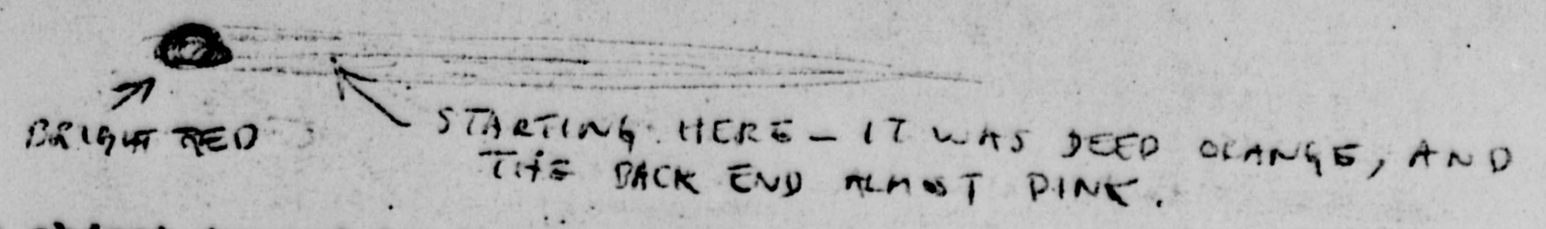
Mr. [redacted] told the writer that he photographed the "object" while taking a series of shots of the moon. He has many times spoken to the writer of his interest in the moon, and I feel certain that the photograph in question was not faked to delude the writer or others. He seeks no publicity. Mr. [redacted] also gave me permission to contact your command regarding the photographs. You may contact Mr. [redacted] for additional information regarding these photographs or, if you prefer, I will send whatever additional information you may desire.

The photographs taken by Mr. [redacted] were taken on Sunday, October 14, 1956. On this same date, CRIFO received three daytime sightings of UFO's from three separate groups of witnesses in the greater Cincinnati area. Names are as follows:

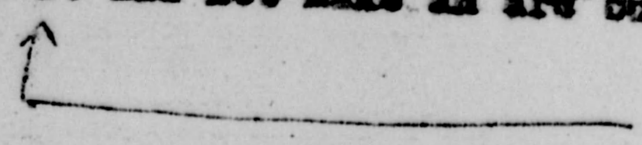
Mr. [redacted] Ave., Bromley, Ky. Brilliant object seen from Covington, Kentucky about 4 pm. Mr. [redacted] said the sky was deep blue, no wind. While driving in traffic, he saw large bright light about quarter the size of full moon. He said the object was stationary. By the time he had reached the next block, which afforded a visual clearing of the sky, the object had disappeared. Mr. [redacted] stressed the fact that the object was unusually brilliant and large. He ruled out reflection on aircraft as an explanation. Mr. [redacted] has a pilot's license.

Mr. and Mrs. [redacted], R[redacted] Box [redacted], Batavia, Ohio. Having first learned of the sighting from Mrs. [redacted] an employee in the advertising department at the [redacted] Co., of which I am manager, I asked for more detailed information. Mrs [redacted] husband responded by writing up the following details:

"On Sunday, Oct. 14, 1956 at about 6:30 pm, while traveling east on U.S highway 52, between Ripley and New Richman, Ohio, I saw a reddish orange object in the sky. At first I thought it was a jet making a vaper trail, but the trail didn't seem to get any larger, in fact it all seemed to be traveling at the same speed, and, in a northerly direction for at least a minute then it turned straight up and disappeared out of sight.



When the object turned it did not make an arc but made a sharp turn like this



The whole thing seemed to turn at one time. A jet would have had a curve to its turn but this did not. My wife and son were with me at the time. She was driving so I did not take my eyes off it until it was out of sight. They all saw it."

Mr [redacted], (and wife) [redacted] Pike, Ft. Thomas, Ky. Object sighted in Northeast from Highland Hts, Ky at about 1:30 pm. Mr. [redacted] described the object as large, about the size of a nickel held at arm's length. It was gun metal gray and without apparent wings or tail or other appendages. He said the object appeared to be stationary for about a minute, and was quite low.

Thus, in brief, are the descriptions of the UFO's seen by three separate groups on October 14, plus the photographs. I hope they may prove to be of value to you and your command.

In light of the international crisis, I hope that I may be able to serve your command more thoroughly and expeditiously. I have not yet phoned Lt. Colonel U. T. Greene in Washington in regard to the matter discussed by phone on November 6, 1956. I believe a phone call would only add to the confusion already existing as to my status. I might try by letter, however, hoping that clarification might be obtainable.

Sincerely

[redacted]

PS: Please return the enclosed photographs and negatives to the writer after analysis as Mr. [redacted] left them in my responsibility.

Dr. Hynek: It is not necessary to state that the loss of any of these photos or negatives will only provide "material" for the press and [redacted]. [redacted] is a personal friend of both [redacted] and [redacted], and has provided them with material on UFO subjects.