

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>15 July 1957</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Covington, Kentucky</u>		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 <u>Unknown</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE <u>Civilian</u>		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>unknown</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>NNE</u>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object described as "a ball of fire" w/big tail" too high & too slow for a/c.		11. COMMENTS Possible a/c w/afterburner possible comet possible meteor insufficient data for evaluation.	

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

Extract from SDO Report, 15 July 57

TO

AFCIN-4E4

FROM

AFCIN-4X2a

DATE

16 July 1957

COMMENT NO. 1

T J Connair/dmt

59117/B263/P A39

Following in an extract from SDO 1/Lt Louis D Rosenberg's report of 15 July 1957 for your information and necessary action:

"2050 - Received call from Capt McClendon (Base Info Service). He had received call from Base Operations, who had received the original call. This call came from a Mr [REDACTED] Covington, Kentucky. He reported "a ball of fire with a big tail, too high and too slow to be an airplane, moving N.N.E. over his position "Covington" "2020". He and a neighbor were watching from window."

T. J. CONNAIR, JR.

Major, USAF

Adjutant

Cursory review of aero charts indicate (from limited info above) that Air Traffic Control Airway, Amber #6, into Cincinnati passes over or close to observers location. The approach is approx N.E. This may account for it. Also jet afterburners "cutting in" have given this effect. However, the "big V tail" description is characteristic of meteors or "flying stars". The latter hypothesis appears more valid.

P.O.'s report, therefore official. Normally "stuff info" - but enough data here to strongly suggest a meteor. Make case file.

Possibly meteor (astro)