

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 July 1957		2. LOCATION Near Dobbins AFB, Marietta, GA		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 0513 EST GMT 26/0813Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military Air National Guard			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 - 20 secs.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE generally N to S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Orange, ball-shaped tail observed fairly low on horizon (20 dgrs) estimated 20 - 25 miles away. Appeared to travel from N to S. Covering distance in less than 1/2 minute. Flight path straight, then vanished by burning out.				11. COMMENTS Description of obj has all the general characteristics of a meteor.	

B. SURFACE - 060 - 8 KNOTS

6,000 - 060 -15 "

10,000 - 040 -10 "

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16,000 - 030 -15 KNOTS

20,000 - 020 -20 "

30,000 - 010 -25 "

50,000 - 010 -30 "

C. CLEAR

D. 15

E. NONE

F. NEGATIVE

8. NONE KNOWN OF

9. NEGATIVE

10. NO TRAFFIC REPORTED IN THIS AREA

11. DUTY DIRECTOR, 908TH ACWON, DOBBONS AFB, MARIETTA GA.

S/SGT HUGHES SIGHTING WAS CONFIRMED BY -/3C BILLIE E. SPARKS, THE TOWER OPERATOR AT DOBBINS AFB, MARIETTA, GA. I CONSIDER THE SIGHTING VALID. WE HAD NO RADAR CONTACTS IN THE AREA. FROM THE DESCRIPTION GIVEN BY S/SGT HUGHES AND AIRMAN SPARKS MY PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS IS THAT THE SIGHTING WAS CAUSED BY A METEOROLOGICAL DISTURBANCE.

12. NEGATIVE

BT

26/1954Z JUL RJESKB

Probably Meteor
[Signature]

76/08137

Witness

5911740

NTFD

WPH008M WPB186 YDA135 VYD102 MDD090KBA052 26 JUL 57 22

242 76/22357
CS

PP RJEDEN RJEDWP RJEPHQ RJEPNE

DE RJESKE 92

P 261900Z ZEX

FM COMDR 908TH ACWRON DOBBINS AFB GA

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

INFO RJESKE/COMDR 35TH ADD DOBBINS AFB GA

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE HQUSAF WASHDC

RJEPNE/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NY

BT

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UFOB 1. A. BALL

B. DIME

C. ORANGE

D. ONE

F. NEGATIVE

G. LONG TRAIL ORANGE TO DULL GRAY

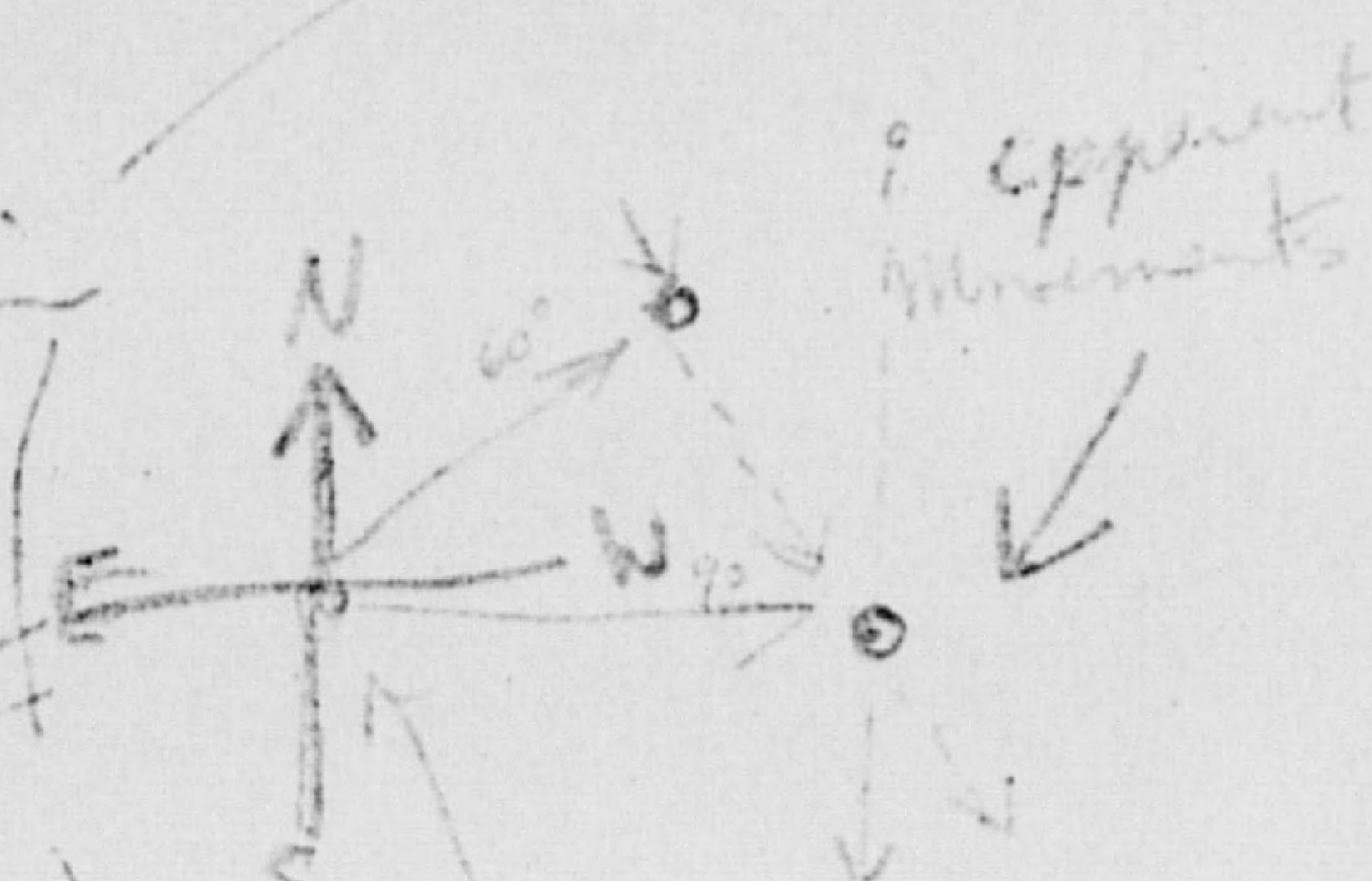
H. NEGATIVE

I. BEGAN AS ORANGE FLASH LEFT A LUMINOUS VAPOR TRAIL

2. A. FLASH

Many meteors explode
upon reaching denser atmosphere

Low on horizon



B. ELV 20 DEGREES AZ 060 ESTIMATED 5,000 TO 6,000 FT.

C. ELV 20 DEGREES AZ 090

D. STRAIGHT PATH

E. APPEARED TO BURN OUT

F. 15 TO 20 SECONDS

good
meter characteristic

OBSERVER

3. A. GROUND VISUAL

B. NEGATIVE

C. NEGATIVE

4. A. 26/0813Z

B. NIGHT TO DAWN

5. TWO (2) MILES NE DOBBINS AFB, MARIETTA GA. OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE 20 TO 25 MILES EAST OF DOBBINS AFB.

6. A. NEGATIVE

B. ROBERT D. HUGHES S/SGT

128TH FIS, GEORGIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD MAN IS RELIABLE. HE WORKS IN THE ALERT SHACK OF THE 128TH FIS AT DOBBINS AFB.

7. A. SKY CLEAR - STARS IN SIGHT - NO CLOUDS.

Generally 7-12 seconds, but difficult to estimate time periods of less than 1/2 min.