

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 29 July 1957		2. LOCATION Oldsmar, Florida		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☒ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1145 EST</u> GMT <u>30/0445Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION one minute		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one			
9. COURSE slide into sea		10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object pale yellow ball of fire. Size of basketball. Object exploded into multicolored lights upon hitting water. Obj at 300 to 500 ft altitude.		11. COMMENTS UNIDENTIFIED	

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FM COMDR 66TH ACWRON MACDILL AFB FLA

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLF

RJESKB/COMDR 35TH ADIV (D) DOBBINS AFB GA

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INT CNTR WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INT HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NY

BT

//UNCLASSIFIED//OPS 0423 PD ATTN: EADF CIO PD

1. PALE YELLOW BALL OF FIRE

A. ROUND

B. ABOUT SIZE OF BASKETBALL

C. PALE YELLOW

D. ONE

E. N/A

F. NONE

G. NONE

H. NONE

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1. EXPLODED INTO MULTICOLORED LIGHTS UPON HITTING WATER

2. NORTHEAST

A. WAS DRIVING SAW OBJECT THRU TREES

B. ESTIMATE ALTITUDE AT 300 TO 500 FEET APPEARED IN SOUTHWEST

C. HIT WATER NEAR WEST OLDSMAR TO NORTHEAST OF OBSERVERS

PLSITION

D. GRADUAL SLANT INTO WATER RESEMBLED GLIDE OF AN AIRPLANE

E. HIT WATER AND EXPLODED

F. ABOUT ON MINUTE

3. GROUND VISUAL

A. NEGATIVE ELECTRONIC

B. NONE

C. N/A

4. 1145 PM EST 29 JULY 1957

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B. NIGHT

5. ON SAFETY HARBOR ROAD AT HEAD OF TAMPA BAY

6.

A. ~~REDACTED~~ N/A ~~REDACTED~~ FLORIDA.

N/A

B. N/A

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7.

A. DARK AND CLEAR

B. 150-7 250-10 260-10 310-5 070-14 040-15 030-15 045-25

C. NCF 25 SCATTERED HI SCATTERED 15 MILES VISIBILITY SSE 7

E. 15 MILES

E. 25 SCATTERED HI SCATTERED

F. NONE

G. NONE

9. NONE

10 NONE REPORTED

11. /LT. GORDON W SMITH SENIOR DIRECTOR 660 TH ACW SQUADRON

SIGHTING SOUNDS LIKE A FLARE IN CERTAIN RESPECTS PD CHECKED

WITH CAA AND NCF OPERATIONS BYT NEITHER ONE KNEW OF ANY FLARES

DROPPED PD COULD HAVE BEEN LIGHT PANE ON FIRE BUT NEITHER CAA

NOR BASE OPS HAVE AIRCRAFT MISSING PD CAA IS FURTHER INVESTIGATION

POSSIBILITY OF LIGHT PLANE PD CAA LATER REPORTED THAT THEY HAD SENT

A COAST GUARD HELICOPTER TO LOOK AT THE AREA BUT NOTHING WAS FOUND.

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