PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 November 1957	**2. LOCATION** Loveland, Ohio	**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 11/2300Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 12 minutes	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** rising in West

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Orange colored object in Western sky about 10 degrees above horizon. Rose for about 7 minutes at which time the orange part disappeared and a black cylindrical object was visible. Continued to rise until 12 minutes later it disappeared.

11. COMMENTS

Balloon released just prior to sighting SW of observer. Balloon carried running lights. Sun setting at time of observation & observer looking to SW. A balloon sighting.

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Mr. [redacted] Principal
[redacted] Primary School
[redacted], Ohio

Dear Mr. Mann:

We are in receipt of your letter dated 12 November in which you report an unidentified aerial object observed for 12 minutes near Loveland, Ohio on the evening of 11 November 1957. Our files also disclose previous correspondence from you dated 17 December 1952, 19 February 1954, 23 July 1954 and an undated letter in 1955.

A check with local facilities disclose that a weather balloon was released southwest of your location just before 6:00 PM; that the balloon carried running lights; and that the winds were from the southwest and moving at 20 to 25 knots at the time of your sighting.

Although we cannot account for the cylindrical shape, experience with hundreds of similar reports has shown that balloons observed near dawn or dusk often take on reddish orange, red or burnt orange appearances, due to the reflection of the sun's rays.

Attached please find official material from the Department of Defense regarding the Air Force's work in the field of unidentified flying objects.

Your prompt reporting and interest in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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1. News Release
2. USAF Summary

WALLACE W. ELWOOD
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

ROUTING	COORDINATION
AFOIN-4	
AFOIN-4X2b	
AFOIN-4X2c	
AFOIN-4X3	
AFOIN-4X4	
AFOIN-4A	
AFOIN-4B	
AFOIN-4C	
AFOIN-4D	
AFOIN-4E	1 YEY 2 YEY
AFOIN-4F	
OTHERS	

PERM	
TEMP	
90 DAYS	
INITIAL	

[redacted] VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

[redacted] OHIO

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Nov. 12-1957

Intelligence Officer
Wright Field
Dayton, Ohio.

1. 12 MAS in sight
2. West - low on horizon
3. Hold - West when disappeared.

Sir: I think I had better report this to you. Last evening at 6:00 P.M. I saw an orange colored object in the western sky 10° above the horizon. I thought at first it was a new comet but it was slowly moving. I got a good line up on a flag pole and some flaging field light poles. It slowly rose in the western sky and at 6:07 P.M the orange light went out but I could make out a dark object in the sky. It continued to rise and at 6:12 disappeared from sight.

Sincerely

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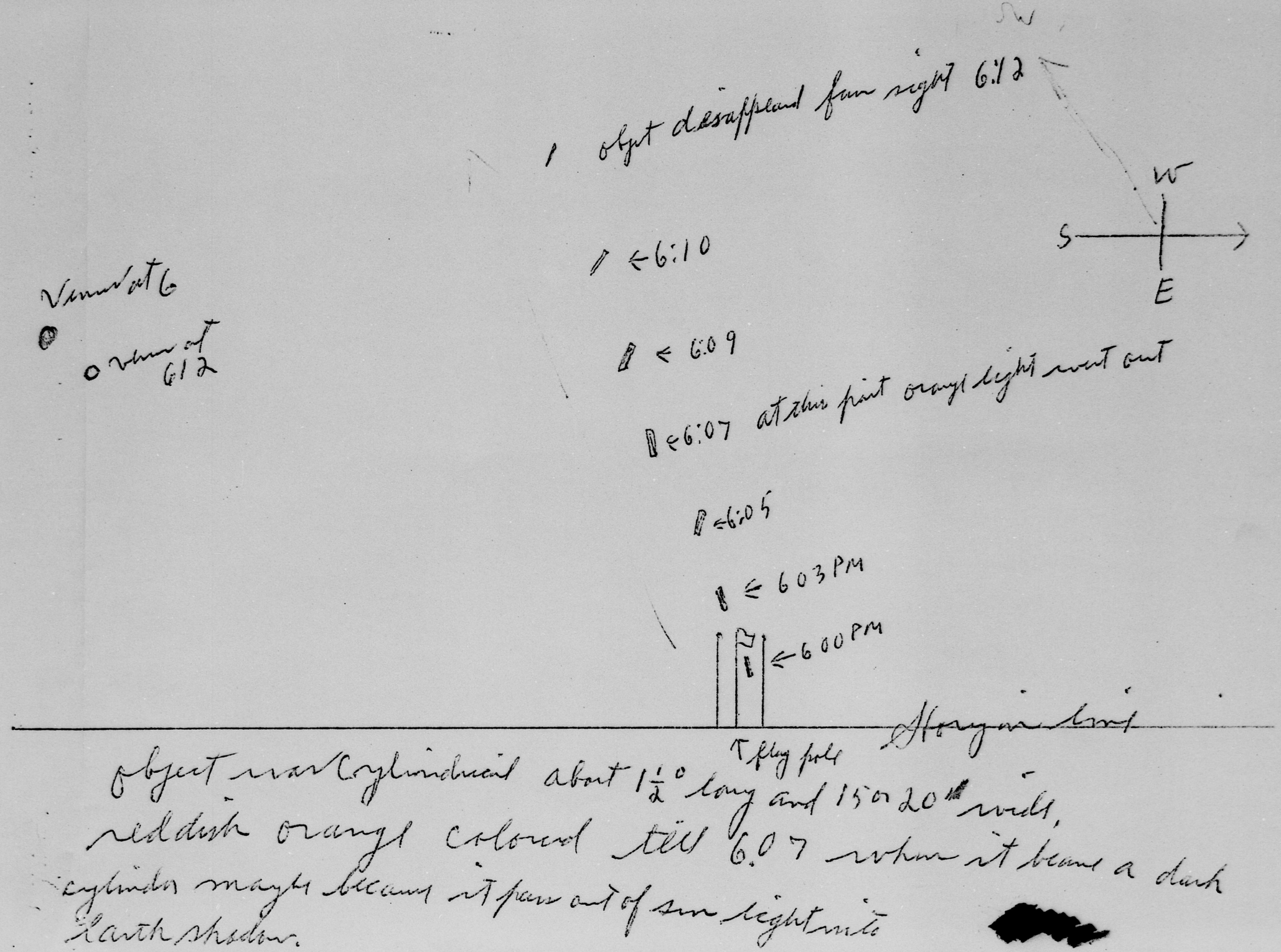

object was cylindrical about 1½° long and 15 or 20" wide, reddish orange colored till 6:07 when it became a dark cylinder maybe because it passed out of sun light into Earth shadow.