# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

| 1. DATE | 2. LOCATION | 12. CONCLUSIONS |
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| 12 Mar 58 | Adana, Turkey | ☐ Was Balloon<br>☐ Probably Balloon<br>☐ Possibly Balloon |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 0330 Local<br>GMT 12/0130Z | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar<br>☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar | ☒ Was Aircraft<br>☐ Probably Aircraft<br>☐ Possibly Aircraft |
| 5. PHOTOS<br>☐ Yes<br>☐ No | 6. SOURCE<br>U.S. Personnel | ☐ Was Astronomical<br>☐ Probably Astronomical<br>☐ Possibly Astronomical |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>3 mins | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>one | 9. COURSE<br>varying |
| | | ☐ Other<br>☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br>☐ Unknown |

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Obj believed by source to be a jet, observed on a heading of 150 degrees, turned to 330, then to 50 degrees. Disappeared, then returned heading to the NW, finally turned to the NE.

11. COMMENTS

This not a UFO, although rptd as a UFO rpt. Obviously an a/c.

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(1) CIRVIS REPORT.
(2) SIGHTED BY GROUND PERSONNEL OF THIS DETACHMENT.
(3) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT. A FAST MOVING LIGHT WAS OBSERVED HIGH IN THE SKY. BELIEVED TO BE A FAST MOVING JET AT HIGH ALTITUDE, BUT THERE WAS AN ABSENCE OF ENGINE SOUND. LIGHT

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COULD BE DESCRIBED AS LIGHT ORANGE IN COLOR. LIGHT APPEARED TO BE TRAVELING ON A HEADING OF 150 DEGREES, WHEN FIRST SIGHTED. TEN MINUTES LATER THE SAME LIGHT APPEARED MOVING ON A HEADING OF 150 DEGREES. LIGHT WAS SAME SIZE AND COLOR BUT MOVING SLOWER. WHEN DIRECTLY OVERHEAD, LIGHT APPEARED TO STOP AND HOVER. HOVERING ACTION WAS ERRATI. IT REMAINED IN THIS POSITION FOR 3 MINUTES. IT THEN MOVED OFF ON A COURSE OF 50 DEGREES UNTIL LOST FROM SIGHT.
(4) SIGHTING WAS MADE AT 0130Z, 12 MAR 58, AND 0001Z. 15 MAR 58. COORDINATES OF BASE ARE 3700N-3526E.
(5) OBJECT TRAVELED ON A HEADING OF 330 DEGREES, 10 MINUTES LATER RETURNED ON A HEADING OF 330 DEGREES, THEN CHANGED HEADING TO 50 DEGREES. SPEED WHEN FIRST SIGHTED WAS VERY FAST. OBSERVERS ESTIMATE IT AS APPROX THAT OF A SUPERSONIC JET FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.
(6) NONE.

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REMARKS

1. A review and a memo re ATIC's conclusions on the UFO reported during a Congressional hearing held in Washington last week.

2. Mr. [redacted] will draft final memo.

3 My analysis: Not a UFO, but an unidentified a/c, TURKEY

Note → ADANA

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4. Your Comments by DD 95 would be appreciated.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, INTELLIGENCE
ATTN: COLONEL PATTISON, AFCIN-X

SUBJECT: (C) Review and Comment - UFO Rpt, Andana, Turkey 12 Mar 58

1. Further to the request from your office regarding the sighting reported from Adana, Turkey, during March 1958, our records indicate the following:

a. The incident was submitted as a CIRVIS report under provision of JANAP 146, March 1954, and not as an Air Force UFO report.

b. The report is very meager and lacks essential data necessary for more detailed analysis or positive conclusions.

c. The object (a fast-moving, orange colored light) is not considered a "UFO" within the definitions of AFR 200-2, 5 Feb 58, but rather an "unidentified aircraft".

d. The description, characteristics, flight pattern and maneuvers rule out rockets or missiles.

e. There have been reported overflights into Turkey from the Soviet and Arab Bloc countries. It should be noted that Adana is just outside the Northwest border of Syria. (Secret)

2. A word of explanation regarding source's statements that the light appeared to stand still for a brief period; and that there was an apparent absence of sound. Based on the many similar UFO incidents investigated and analyzed by the Center over the last 12 years:

a. Jet exhausts, and particularly afterburners in operation, when viewed from a zero-angle of sighting on the ground, e.g., when the aircraft is in a climb and viewed directly from the rear at night and from a distance, often appears to remain motionless in space until the pilot goes into a turn. This is a well-known illusion and reported quite often.

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b. As you know, on very dark nights, it is possible to observe aircraft mostly from their jet or afterburner flame, with no sound. This also holds true with aircraft condensation trails during the day.

3. On the basis of the data given, there is no reason to believe that the "unknown light" observed was other than a high-altitude jet aircraft from a neighboring "East Bloc" country assuming, of course, that all friendly aircraft flights were accounted for. (Secret)

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