

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 20 Apr 58		2. LOCATION Kentucky, W Va., Georgia		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 8:30 P.M. EST GMT 21/0119Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military & Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE ESE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1) A ball of light that seemed to explode into bits while moving Southward at terrific speed. All rpts indicate it was very bright, bullet shaped, fiery red w/a yellow tail & put out a lot of fireworks. 2) A small pin of light, then an abrupt increase in size, round shape, Light green increasing in intensity. Intermittant exhaust or trail. Pink, then dark compared to clouds. Trail was smaller than the diameter of the sphere.				11. COMMENTS A large meteor bright enough to cast a reflection & with unusual brilliance.	

Witness

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INFO RJEPNB/CONDR EADF STEWART AFB

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ CITE NO. 00204 SUBJECT: UFOB

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

- (1) ROUND
- (2) BASKETBALL
- (3) WHITE
- (4) ONE
- (5) N/A
- (6) NONE
- (7) TAIL WHITE
- (8) NONE
- (9) NONE

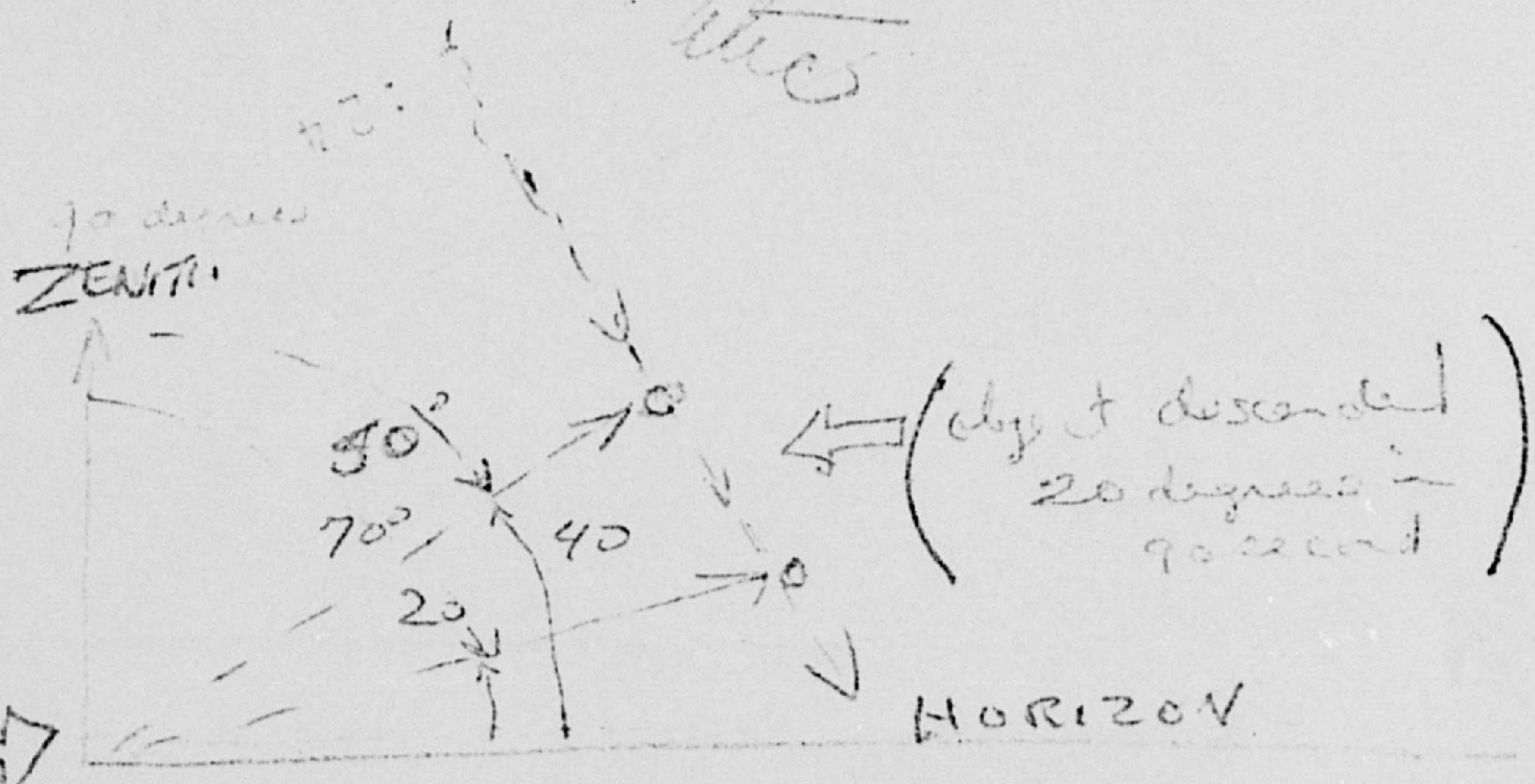
B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

- (1) BRIGHT FLASH
- (2) 40 DEG ABOVE HORIZON
- (3) 20 DEG ABOVE HORIZON
- (4) DESCENDING
- (5) BEHIND CLOUDS
- (6) 90 SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

- (1) GROUND VISUAL
- (2) NONE
- (3) N/A

Note: obj had TAIL
Observed as a bright flash



No AZIMUTHS, BEARINGS
OR DIRECTIONS GIVEN, ONLY
ELEVATIONS OF OBJ.

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D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING.

(1) 21/4'82Z

(2) DUSK

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

34DEG 58N 85DEG 21 W

6 MILES SW OF 867TH ACWRON

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

(1)

RT 2 RISING FAWN

(2) COMMUNITY

G. WEATHER & WINDS-ALOFT CONDITION TIME

H. PLACE OF SIGHTING:

(2) SURFACE 180 DEG 9 KT

6,000 - 220 DEG 30 KT

10,000 - 230 DEG 30 KT

16,000 - 250 DEG 30 KT

20,000 - 250 DEG 30 KT

30,000 - 260 DEG 40 KT

50,000 - 250 DEG 50 KT

(3) 7002

(4) 20

(5) OVERCAST

(6) TSTNS TO NORTH

I. NONE

J. NONE

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21/0241Z APR RJEDFL

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OR DIRECTIONS GIVEN, ONLY
ELEVATIONS OF UFO.

Note: Conditions of sighting

LOCATION: FLINTSTONE AFB,
GEORGIA
Near Chattanooga

Winds generally
from the SW.

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ATTC Conclusions: Meteorite

1. Round, bright flash
2. White tail
3. Descended groundward
in steep angle
4. Observed for short duration
5. Although no eyewitness
bearing a direction of flight
given - everything here
suggests a meteorite, as
seen at dusk and through
an overcast (as report shows),
somewhat adverse sighting
conditions for good identity
of objects.

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FM COMDR 31ST FBWG

TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC

RJESKB/COMDR 35TH AD

RJEDSQ /COMDR ATIC

RJEPHQ/DIRECTOR INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF

BT

/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM 31WDO 0709. UFOB. SUBMITTED IAW AFR
200-2.

(1) DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

(A) SHAPE ROUND

(B) A SMALL PIN OF LIGHT (SIMILAR TO AND AIRCRAFT AT DISTANCE)

THEN AN ABRUPT INCREASE IN SIZE.

(C) LIGHT GREEN, INCREASING IN INTENSITY AS IT APPROACHED A/C

(D) ONES

(E) ONE

(F) INTERMITTANT EXHAUST OR TRAIL. PINK THEN DARK COMPARED TO

*Two apparently experienced fighters
appear to have gotten spotted over
a pin-point of light.*

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CLOUDS.

(G) TRAIL WAS SMALLER THAN THE DIEAMETER OF THE SPHERE.

(H) NEGATIVE.

(I) THE APPROACH SPEED FROM THE NORTHEAST TOWARD OUR AIRCRAFT WAS LIKE A METEOR. HEADING WAS SOUTHWEST TOWARD OUR AIRCRAFT 9,000', IN A LEFT TURN, AND THE OBJECT PASSED BETWEEN OUR A/C AND THE TOWN OF CORDELE, GA. THERE WAS A CLOUD LAYER AT APPROXIMATELY 10,000' JUST NORTH OF CORDELE, GA. THE OBJECT STOPPED AT AND ESTIMATED (7000', 10-15NM SOUTH OF CORDELE.

(2) DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(A) BRIGHT LIGHT WHICH WE THOUGHT WAS ANOTHER AIRCRAFT. (B) HIGH AND COMING TOWARD US (C) LOW AND ABBREAST OF US. (D) DESCENDING CURVE. (E) GLOW STOPPED. (F) FOUR (4) SECONDS. *NOTE:*

(3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(A) AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE-VISUAL. (B) NO OPTICAL AIDS. (C) F-100F, DWARF 31, AF JET 63865, 9,000' MSL, TURNING PORT 030, 300K IAS, TURNER AFB, GA.

(4) TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: (A) 21/0119Z (20/2019E). (B) NIGHT.

(5) LOCATION OF OBSERVERS: (A) 30 DEG 50 MIN N, -83 DEG 45 MIN E,

(6) IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS: (A) N/A (B)

*This location is over
southern China!*

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~~REDACTED~~ 1ST LT., 309TH FBS, PILOT, EXCELLENT, ~~REDACTED~~

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(7) WEATHER AND WINDS: (A) 10,00' SCATTERED, 8,00' SCATTERED.

(B) ^{SSW} 6,00' - ^{SSW} 210/20K, 10,00' - ^{SSW} 210/25K, - 16,00' - ^{SSW} 210/30K

^{SSW} 20,000' - 230/35K, 30,000'

^{SW} - 230/47K, 50,000' - 240/50K. (C)

NOT APPLICABLE. (D) 15 PLUS. (E) ONE EIGHTH. (F) WEST,

APPROXIMATELY 120 NM

(8) NONE

(9) NO REPORT SUBMITTED UNTIL NEXT MORNING.

(10) ONE KNOWN T-33 WAS NEAR DOLES BEACON AT 22,000'.

(11) ARTHUR J. COPP, 1ST LT., AIR TARGETS OFFICER, 309TH FBS.

BOTH AIRCRAFT THAT SIGHTED THE OBJECT WERE FROM THE 309TH FBS,

AND ALL FOUR PILOTS GAVE A SIMILAR ACCOUNT OF THE SIGHTING. NO

PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS.

(12) NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

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23/0312Z APR RJESSL

*Two fighter pilots ~~are~~
appear to have seen a fireball
and don't know what it is. Amazing.
The above description definitely of a
fireball. (ASTRO)*

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ATLANTA, APRIL 20.--(UP)--AN OBJECT FLASHED HIGH IN THE SKY OVER THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES TONIGHT WITH A BLINDING LIGHT THAT WAS VISIBLE FROM KENTUCKY AND WEST VIRGINIA TO SOUTH GEORGIA. THE WEATHER

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INSERT AFTER 1ST PGH OBJECT ATLANTA X X X BLINDING BRILLIANCE. ATLANTA PHYSICIST AND ASTRONOMER DR. [REDACTED] SAID THE OBJECT PROBABLY WAS A METEOR KNOWN AS A "FIREBALL"--A LARGE METEOR BRIGHT ENOUGH TO CAST A REFLECTION AND UNUSUAL BRILLIANCE. (See 9 Apr 58 + 10 Apr 57 TS918A4/2) B. W. Invents)

THE OBJECT APPEARED SHORTLY AFTER 8:20 P.M. EST. ONE OBSERVER TIMED IT AT 8:24 P.M. SWITCHBOARDS OF NEWSPAPERS, TV AND RADIO STATIONS IN ATLANTA AND THE NORTH GEORGIA AREA WERE FLOODED WITH CALLS.

DOBBINS AIR FORCE BASE INDICATED IT WILL MAKE A MILITARY INVESTIGATION TOMORROW.

[REDACTED], A NAVY FLIER, REPORTED ON LANDING HIS T-28 AT DOBBINS ON A FLIGHT FROM CHARLESTON, W.VA., THAT THE OBJECT "BURST WITH SUCH BRILLIANCE THAT IT BLINDED ME."

"ALL REPORTS INDICATE IT WAS VERY BRIGHT, BULLET SHAPED, FIERY RED WITH A YELLOW TAIL AND PUT OUT A LOT OF FIREWORKS," THE WEATHER BUREAU SAID.

"THE FLIERS SAID IT LIT UP THEIR COCKPITS. NONE OF THEM ACTUALLY SAW IT FALL. THEY ALSO INDICATE IT WAS VERY HIGH. ONE JET PILOT FLYING AT 39,000 FEET SAID IT WAS WELL ABOVE HIM."

[REDACTED] SAID HIS PLANE WAS ABOVE CORNELIA, GA., 91 MILES NORTH OF DOBBINS, WHEN HE SAW THE OBJECT.

[REDACTED], AN ANNOUNCER FOR RADIO STATION WROM AT ROME, GA., SAID THE FLASH APPEARED NORTHEAST OF HIS HOME AT NEARBY COOSA IN NORTH GEORGIA.

"IT LIT UP THE WHOLE DOGGONE SKY NORTHEAST FROM US," [REDACTED] SAID. "IT LOOKED LIKE A WHITE BALL TRAILED BY A RED BALL, AND MADE A WHITE LIGHT." 5- 10 Oct 1957 "B. W. Invents" Case

"BOTH CAME ON GRADUALLY, NOT AS QUICK AS LIGHTNING, AND THEN FADED AND DISAPPEARED TOGETHER," HE SAID. "THE OBJECT APPEARED TO BE MOVING ABOUT SOUTHWARD."

A ROME RADIO HAM WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SEEN ABOUT THE SAME THING AND GOT A COMPASS READING ON ITS DIRECTION OF TRAVEL. HE SAID IT WAS EAST-SOUTHEAST.

[REDACTED], REPORTER FOR THE MARIETTA, (GA.) JOURNAL, SAID THE FLASH APPEARED TO BE A BRIGHT YELLOW BALL THAT EXPLODED INTO TINY STARS.

WEATHER MEN SAID VARIATIONS IN THE ATMOSPHERE AT DIFFERENT POINTS COULD HAVE CREATED OPTICAL ILLUSIONS THAT WOULD ACCOUNT FOR THE VARIETY OF DESCRIPTIONS.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION AND THE MARIETTA JOURNAL GOT MORE THAN A SCORE OF CALLS EACH AND RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS IN THE ATLANTA AREA WERE SWAMPED WITH INQUIRIES.

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(CRASH)

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LOUISVILLE, KY., APRIL 21.--(UP)--THE NAVY BEGAN AN INVESTIGATION TODAY INTO THE CRASH OF A TV-2 NAVY JET TRAINER PLANE SAID TO HAVE EXPLODED INTO A BALL OF FIRE AFTER ITS PILOT BAILED OUT.

THE NAVY SAID MARINE CORPS CAPT. [REDACTED] OF COLUMBUS, OHIO, WAS ENROUTE FROM PENSACOLA, FLA., TO THE COLUMBUS, OHIO, NAVAL AIR STATION WHEN THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED. BALL WAS TAKEN TO THE GENERAL HOSPITAL HERE.

MEMBERS OF THE NAVY AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT BOARD WERE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE HERE TODAY TO INVESTIGATE THE CRASH.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE UNT, WHO LIVE NEAR WHERE THE PLANE CRASHED, SAID THEY SAW AN ORANGE STREAK, HEARD A LOUD EXPLOSION AND THEN SAW A BALL OF FIRE.

THE PLANE CRASHED NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF TWO MAIN EXPRESSWAYS, ABOUT A MILE AND A HALF FROM SUBURBAN BOWMAN AIR FIELD.

BALL PARACHUTED INTO A NEARBY SUBDIVISION AND WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL BY JEFFERSON COUNTY POLICE.

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