PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 Jul 58	**2. LOCATION** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	**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 _____ GMT 02/0059Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6-8 secs	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** W to E

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Point of light, size of head of pin, yellowish color. Obj disappeared w/ flashing lights.

11. COMMENTS

Typical meteor characteristics and description.

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between 02/0059Z
02/0107Z
July

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HEX / Witness

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8 JUL 1958

3DO 24-213

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Sighted by [redacted] at Philadelphia, Pa., at 020107Z July 1958

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. Reference is made to Air Force Regulation 200-2, dated 5 February 1958.

2. In accordance with Paragraph 15, AFR 200-2, the following is furnished for your information and any action you may deem appropriate:

a. Description of the Object:

(1) Shape - Similar to a point of light
(2) Size - Head of a pin held at arms length ← extremely small *
(3) Color - Yellowish
(4) Number - One (1)
(5) Formation - Not Applicable
(6) Discernible features or details - Similar to a moving point of light
(7) Tail, trail, or exhaust - None
(8) Sound - None
(9) Other pertinent or unusual features - None

* what prompted source to report an object, the size of a pinhead, when report shows nothing unusual, menacing, hostile etc to prompt the action?

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b. Description of Course of Object:

(1) What first called the attention of observer to the object - [redacted] stated he was looking into the sky in an attempt to predict the weather when he saw instant object.

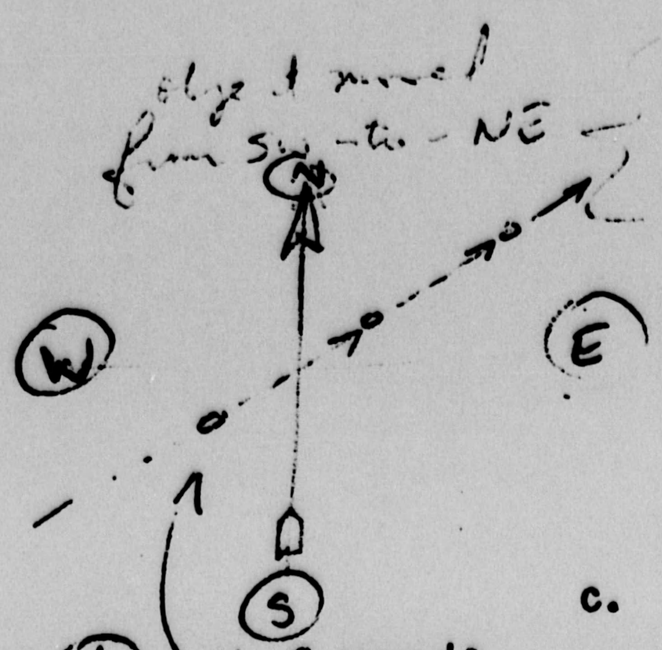
(2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of the object when first sighted - 45° elevation, bearing 230-240 magnetic compass. SW-W

(3) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance - Approximately 45° bearing 060 magnetic compass. NEast

(4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object - Straight across the arch of the sky

(5) How did the object disappear - Disappeared with flashing lights going west to east. Note!

(6) How long was the object visible - Approximately six (6) to eight (8) seconds.



c. Manner of observation:

(1) Ground-visual

(2) No optical aids were used

(2) Pin head size

d. Time and date of Sighting:

(1) Between 020059Z and 020107Z July 1958 0059 -

(2) Night, full moon

(3) Straight trajectory

e. Location of Observer: Approximately 40° latitude north and Approximately 75° 10 minutes west, longitude ← over Philadelphia

(4) No Sound

f. Identifying Information on Observer:

(1) Civilian [redacted]
DOB: 21 June 1921, at Hingham, Massachusetts
Address: [redacted]
Employed by Arco Corporation, [redacted]
Philadelphia, Pa., [redacted] Sales Manager

A. Typical meteor characteristics and description

g. Weather and Winds-Aloft Conditions at Time and Place of Sighting:

(1) Observer's account of weather conditions - No surface winds, visibility unlimited, no clouds, hazy near horizon.

(2) Report from nearest AWS or U.S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity -

B. Earth now entering Capricornid and Aquarid meteoric showers

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