PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 Jul 58	2. LOCATION Dayton, 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 2150 GMT 13/0250Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 80 secs	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE East

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Obj with appearance of shooting star, changed brightness. No sound.

11. COMMENTS

There were two a/c in the area at the time, which is probably what was sighted.

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950 local
12 Jul

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U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

12 (Day) July (Month) 58 (Year)

2. Time of day: 9 (Hour) 50 (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

_____ (Nearest Postal Address) Dayton (City or Town) _____ (State or Country)

Additional remarks: Near Stop Rd & Rt 35

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ (Hours) _____ (Minutes) 60 (Seconds)

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight
d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight — pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Yes b. No c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?
b. Several blocks away?
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other

Appeared like shooting star

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't Know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't Know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't Know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't Know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't Know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't Know
g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	No	Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, than tell what it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: *(Circle One)*: a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound _____

b. Color _____

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____.
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object? *(Circle One):*

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane
e. At sea
f. Other _____

26. Were you *(Circle One)*

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

Setting on patio — looked up at sky and saw it along with 3 others

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

a. From true North _____ degrees.
b. From horizon 90 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

a. From true North 75 degrees.
b. From horizon 75 degrees.

34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS *(Circle One)*

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND *(Circle One)*

a. No wind
b. Slight breeze
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER *(Circle One)*

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE *(Circle One)*

a. Cold
b. Cool
c. Warm
d. Hot
e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

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36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Wife –
Mr. & Mrs. [redacted] LANE

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

Shooting Star –

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? Sometimes so estimation of Time. _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

(LETTERING)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) LANE DAYTON (City) 39 (Zone) Ohio (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

What is your present job? Quality Supervisor at [redacted] Laboratory

Age 39 Sex M

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____

b. High school _____

c. College B.A. in Chemistry

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school _____

(Type) _____

f. Other special training _____

Electronics

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 12 (Day) July (Month) 54 (Year)

Called:

① Patterson Operations — they heard no new nothing

② Flight Service — Flight of (2) F-86's over Kettering
(Capt. Mearer)
At 1:30 — made penetration
at 6500 feet. No service.

Note → This was reported to Flight Service by unknown individual as UFO. Check by Capt. Mearer with control tower indicated

③ 58 Air Rescue — Sector heard nothing
(Controller)

④ Flight Test - WPDC - no answer.

SDO Comments:

Observer mentioned the fact that object headed in direction of field — This could have been the lead down flight of the F-86's as indicated in above paragraph.

Confirmed later: Two a/c in test area in looking for U-P.

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1. DATE 13 Jul 58	**2. LOCATION** Grand Rapids, Michigan	**12. CONCLUSIONS**
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local ____ GMT 14/0255Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 60-90 secs	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one / **9. COURSE** SW to NE	☐ Other ____ ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Rnd, white obj, size of a quarter, No trail, exhaust or sound. Obj was sighted near zenith & disappeared after moving fm SW to NE for 60 to 90 secs.

11. COMMENTS

Limited info. Balloon might possibly account for sighting; however, the duration is rather short & the motion indicated appeared to be smooth rather than a flight that fluctuated. Also possible & more probable that the sighting was Sputnik III, however there is no confirming data. Also possible that the sighting was a/c. Case listed insufficient data.

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COUNTRY OF ACTIVITY REPORTING U.S.A.	REPORT NO.	(Leave blank)

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS U.S.A. Grand Rapids Michigan	DATE OF INFORMATION 14 Jul 58 0255Z	
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NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Mr. [redacted]	EVALUATION	SRI NO. ACTIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)

REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

An unidentified flying object

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

On the 14th day of July 1958 this station received a call from Grand Rapids Michigan GOC reporting that [redacted] - civilian and two other persons had sighted an unidentified flying object. Subject object was sighted on 14 Jul 58 at 0255Z. Description of object as follows:

One round shaped object, the size of a quarter. Color white. No trail, exhaust or sound. Object was sighted near zenith (within 10 deg.) and disappeared after moving from SW to NE for 60 to 90 seconds, then disappeared behind clouds. Location of observer was Grand Rapids Michigan. Weather conditions were as follows:

Broken ceiling.

Winds at 30,000 ft from 240 deg 20 knots.

40,000 ft from 270 deg 30 knots,

50,000 ft from 280 deg 20 knots, visibility 15 miles.

The sighting was reported through GOC, reliability reasonably good.

SW - to NE

If balloon 100 ft (+) in diameter - would not be seen above 30,000 ft kept under prevailing conditions - so use winds for this altitude

Original: Not enough from data to work with. Kept as [illegible] maybe!

Answer:
(1) white round, object - no sound or trail = this is generally known
(2) Moved SW to NE
(3) Weather plot (U.S. Weather Bureau) shows winds blowing from the SW - to - NE, at that time - at 30,000 feet and down.

On Basis of this very limited info:

Confirmed

0255Z - 7 = 1955 local (PM)

Additional Checks later

(1) Balloon released at 2900 (000 midnight) from Milwaukee 62 miles away and SW of Grand Rapids.

(2) This correlates with [illegible] wind (20 kts) given around Grand Rapids

(3) [illegible] around 3000 [illegible] (Ref. U.S. Weather Bureau Schedule of 1957)

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