PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 August 1958	2. LOCATION Rapid City, South Dakota	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 04/1624Z	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 5-10 secs	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE South

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round or disc shaped obj, size of basketball, white. One observer rptd halo effect surrounding obj. Obj traveled straight & level & disappeared instantaneously to south.

11. COMMENTS

Possibly turning a/c with sun in proper position to highlight maneuver.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

Multi 011622Z Ref a (REFLECTION) 8

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DE RJWFAP 27

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FM COMBOMWG 28

TO RJEDDN/COMADC

RJWZGU/COMAIRDIV 29

RJEDSQ/COMATIC

RJEPHQ/ASST CHIEF OF STAFF INTELL WASH DC

RJEDPHQ/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES HQ USAF

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UNCLAS DOI 8-13844 SUBJECT: UFO. IN COMPLIANCE WITH AIR FORCE REGULATION 200-2, DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1958, AS AMENDED THE FOLLOWING UFO REPORT IS SUBMITTED:

A. DESCRIPTION:

(1) THREE OBSERVERS REPORTED ROUND, TWO REPORTED DISC SHAPE.

(2) SIZE OF BASKETBALL HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.

(3) WHITE

(4) ONE

(5) N/A

(6) NONE

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2- 4E4
3-

4-4X2

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(7) ONE OBSERVER REPORTED HALO EFFECT SURROUNDING OBJECT. NO OTHER TAIL, TRAIL OR EXAUST.

(a) NONE

(b) NONE

B. COURSE.

(1) WATCHING AIRCRAFT AND OBJECT CROSSED FIELD OF VISION.

(2) APPROXIMATELY FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREES/APPROX ZERO (North) DEGREES.

(3) APPROXIMATELY THIRTY (30) DEGREES/APPROX ONE NINE ZERO (South) (190 DEGREES).

(4) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL

(5) INSTANTANEICUS TO SOUTH

(6) FIVE TO TEN SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION.

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE.

(1) 041624Z AUG 58 0624-7 ~~0724~~ 0724

(2) DAY

E. 44 DGREES 05 MINS 34 SECONDS N, 103 DEGREES 12 MINS 51 SECS W

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DOWN TOWN RAPID CITY

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATIC ON OBSERVERS.

(1) [redacted], 37, [redacted] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH

MRS [redacted] 34, [redacted] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, HOUSEWIFE.

[redacted] 29, [redacted] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, HOUSEWIFE.

[redacted], (12), [redacted] STREET, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, N/A.

(2) [redacted], CAPTAIN, 77TH BOMBARDMENTSQUARON, ELLSWORTH AFB, SOUTH DAKOTA; ELECTRONIC COUNTERMEASURES OPERATOR, COMPLETELY RELIABLE.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT.

(1) CAVU. 0 CLOUDS IN SIGHT

(2) SURFACE-350/10; 6000-340/15; 12,000-250/17; 16,000-270/37; 20,000-270/33; 30,000-250,67; 50,000-250/36; 82,000-100/18.

(2) UNLIMITED

(4) 40 MILES

(5) ZERO

(6) NONE

H. NONE

I. 744TH AC&W, LOCAL CONTROL TWOER AND 54TH FIS QUERIED RELATIVE TO SIGHTING. NEGATIVE RESULTS EXCEPT AS INDICATED IN PARGRAPH (J) BELOW.

J. SIX AIRCRAFT FLYING IN LOCAL AREA-NO FIGHTERS, ALTITUDE UNKNOWN, V VARIOUS DIRECTIONS.

K. ACTING CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, 28TH BOMBARDMENT WING. WAS NOTIFIED OF REPORT AND IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED ALL OBSERVERS. ALL OBSERVERS PRESENT IN ONE GROUP AT TIME OF SIGHTING. ALTHOUGH

IT WAS NOT SO STATED, IT WAS APPARENT THAT [redacted] HAD CAUTIONED ALL OBSERVERS TO NOTE DETAILS CAREFULLY. THEY WERE AWARE THAT AIRCRAFT WERE FLYING IN THE AREA AT THE TIME BUT ARE CONVINCED THAT THE OBJECT WAS NOT AN AIRCRAFT. ALL STATED THEY WERE UNABLE TO NOTE MANY DETAILS DUE TO EXTREME SPEED, ESTIMATED BY [redacted] AT APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND KNOTS. HE BELIEVES THE OBJECT WAS APPROXIMATELY ONE FOURTH MILE DISTANT AT APPROXIMATELY THREE THOUSAND FEET ALTITUDE. ALL OBSERVERS WERE SINCERE AND HIGHLY IMPRESSED WITH SIGHTING. ALL HAD HESITATED TO REPORT SIGHTING FOR FEAR OF RIDICULE. WEATHER BALLON HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AT APPROXIMATELY

THE SAME TIME OF SIGHTING BUT DIRECTION FROM OBSERVATIONPOINT WAS NOT INCONSONANCE WITH DIRECTION OF FIRST SIGHTING AS REPORTED BY [redacted] WHO HAS HAD NAVIGATION TTRAINING AND IS TRAINED COMBAT CREW MEMBER. SIGHTING POSSIBLY CAUSED BY TURNING AIRCRAFT WHICH WAS AT GREATER DISTANCE THAN ESTIMATED BY OBSERVERS. SUN WAS IN PROPER POSITION TO HIGHLIGHT BANKING AIRCRAFT EAST OF OBSERVERS AS THE OBJECT WAS REPORTED TO BE.

L. NONE

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Check's out generally. See Sup. 218.