PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
12 Mar 59

2. LOCATION
1 1/4 Mi E of Hampton, Va.

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local
GMT 12/1010Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
☒ Ground-Visual
☐ Ground-Radar
☐ Air-Visual
☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☒ No

6. SOURCE
Civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
5-10 secs

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
one

9. COURSE
North

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING
Elongated streaks, size of pencil at arm's length. There were two streaks, one 10-15 secs after the first.

11. COMMENTS
Reflection of lights fm one of 3 rptd.possible sources listed in Case File

12. CONCLUSIONS
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☒ Other Light Reflection
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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A.(1) ELONGATED STREAK (2) LENGTH AND WIDTH (ONE INCH) OF PENCIL HELD AT ARMS LENGTH (3) SUBDUED WHITE (LIGHT APPEARED TO ORIGINATE OVER OR IN AN OVERCAST CONDITION. (4) A SINGLE STREAK APPEARING TWICE IN APPROXIMATELY THE SAME PLACE (5) NO FORMATION (6) NONE OBSERVED (7) NONE OBSERVED (8) NO SOUND HEARD (9) NONE OBSERVED.

B. (1) BRIGHT AGAINST THE DARKER OVERCAST CONDITION (2) OBJECT APPEARED ALMOST DUE NORTH FROM OBSERVERS POSITION AT AN ELEVATION OF APPROXIMATELY 60 (SIXTY) DEGREES (3) OBJECT FADED OUT ON SAME

ORTHERLY HEADING AT AN ELEVATION OF APPROXIMATELY 50 (FIFTY) DEGREES (4) LIGHT STREAK FLEW IN STRAIGHT LINE WITH NO MANEUVERS (5) LIGHT FADED OUT (6) FIRST STREAK WAS APPROXIMATELY FIVE TO TEN SECONDS IN DURATION FOLLOWED IN TEN OR FIFTEEN SECOND BY ANOTHER STREAK IGINATING IN ABOUT THE SAME POSITION AS THE FIRST AND WITH THE SAME DURATION AND MOVEMENT. C.(1) GROUND ISUAL OBSERVATION (2) NONE USED (3) N/A D.(1) 1010Z 12 MAR 59 (2) DAWN OFFICIAL SUNRISE 1012Z E.(1) 37013N-0761930W (2) 1 1/4 MILE E CITY OF AMPTON, VIRGINIA, 3 MILES SSE LANGLEY AFB, VIRGINIA F.(1) CIVILIAN . [redacted] AGE 27, P.O. BO[redacted] HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, STUDENT (MAJORING IN MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS) G. (1) OBSERVER REPORTED WEATHER AS 3,000 FEET OVERCAST WITH LIGHT RAIN, (2) LAFB WX DETACHMENT WINDS: SFC-[illegible] KTS; 6,000-[illegible]/45KTS; ,000-240/62 KTS; 18,000-250/80KTS; 24,000-250/95KTS; 30,000 260/115KTS; 50,000-270/135KTS. (3) 0957Z LAFB WEATHER OBS: 4,700 FEET OVERCAST (4) 7 MILES (5) TEN TENTHS (6) POSSIBLE THUNDERSTORMS CTIVITY SOUTH OF LAFB H. (1) NONE EXCEPT FOR PARAGRAPH G(6) ABOVE. I. NO ACTION TAKEN. J. A CHECK WITH LOCAL CIVILIAN AND MILITARY IRPORTS REVEALED ONLY TWO AIRCRAFT IN THIS VICINITY. (1) ONE OMMERCIAL VISCOUNT AIRLINER LANDED AT NORFOLK MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AT

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54 (0954Z). THIS APPROACH WAS RADAR CONTROLLED BY NORFOLK CENTER IRECT FROM THE HOPEWELL OMNI, DIRECT TO ECLIPSE RADIO BEACON AND TO NORFOLK MUNICIPAL. THE FLIGHT PATH OF THE AIRCRAFT IN ITS

TIRITY WAS SOUTH OF OBSERVERS POSITION AND LANDING WAS ACCOMPLISHED FORE SIGHTING. (2) PATRICK HENRY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT REPORTED ONE COMMERCIAL AIRLINER, CAPITOL AIRLINE [illegible] LANDING [illegible] ([illegible]Z). THE RFIELD POSITION IS APPROXIMATELY TEN MILES NORTHWEST FROM THE OBSERVERS POINT OF OBSERVATION. K. PREPARING OFFICER IS [illegible], [illegible] E. TAFT, ASST WING INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FOR THE [illegible]TH BOMBARDMENT WING. THIS OFFICER CONDUCTED A PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH THE OBSERVER. THE FOLLOWING POSSIBILITIES ARE OFFERED FOR CONSIDERATION: (1) LIGHT STREAKS MAY HAVE BEEN MISGUIDED BLINKER SIGNAL OR SEARCH LIGHT FROM SIXTH NAVAL FLEET ARRIVING THIS DAY FROM SEA PATROL AND BERTHING AT NORFOLK NAVY STATION. (2) LIGHT STREAKS COULD HAVE ORIGINATED FROM OTHER COMMERCIAL OCEAN GOING VESSELS IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY OR NORFOLK HARBOR. (3) LIGHT STREAKS COULD BE THE RESULT OF ISOLATED THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY. ALTHOUGH NO THUNDERSTORMS WERE REPORTED IN THIS SPECIFIC AREA, THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED 15 TO [illegible] MILES SOUTH OF THIS STATION. ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS MAY HAVE BEEN SUCH AS TO ALLOW FOR TWICE ONLY

APPEARANCE OF LIGHTNING WITHIN THE OVERCAST CONDITION. (4) LIGHT STREAKS COULD HAVE BEEN THE REFLECTION OF THE CEILOMETER LIGHT OFF SMALL CLOUDS PASSING OVER THE LIGHT. THIS LIGHT IS LOCATED ON LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE AND IS ALMOST ON THE LINE WITH OBSERVATION. LANGLEY WEATHER REPORTS PICKING UP A SCATTERED LAYER OF CLOUDS [illegible] FEET AT [illegible]Z. L. NONE USED.

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