PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 Apr 59	2. LOCATION Herford, Germany	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 11/2150Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE British Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-4 secs	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE falling
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Oval shaped, bright white obj, had a bright tail. First & last seen in the South.		11. COMMENTS Description is typical of a meteor at high alt.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

[redacted]

4 DIV
"G" BRANCH.
B.F.P.O 15.
11/4/59.

Dear Sir,

I am a Solder serving my National service out here in Germany. I have been here on space stays since I was about nine years, even up to now and I often look at the sky at night as it fascinates me very much, So tonight the 11th of APRIL 1959 I was going to post a letter when I happened to glance at the stars with intention of seeing an object in outer space, as I had just finished reading a book called :-
FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED by Desmond Leslie & George Adamski, I was quite surprised too see an object in the sky, it was very bright also it's spray it was giving off, it was oval shape with a long silvery vapour trail, to my sight it was about an ½" to 1" before going out of sight, it remained as I stated in sight for 3 to 4 SEC but the vapour remained for ~~as~~ as stated 2½ MINS.

I dont know exactly what it was, it may of been a trick of my eyes after reading these Saucer sighting true storys but I am an 100° Sure it was no trick of my eyes. please if you can let me know if others had seen it at the same time as I did, to see if I was right. well this is all I can tell you and this is no joke I promise you

Yours Sincerely

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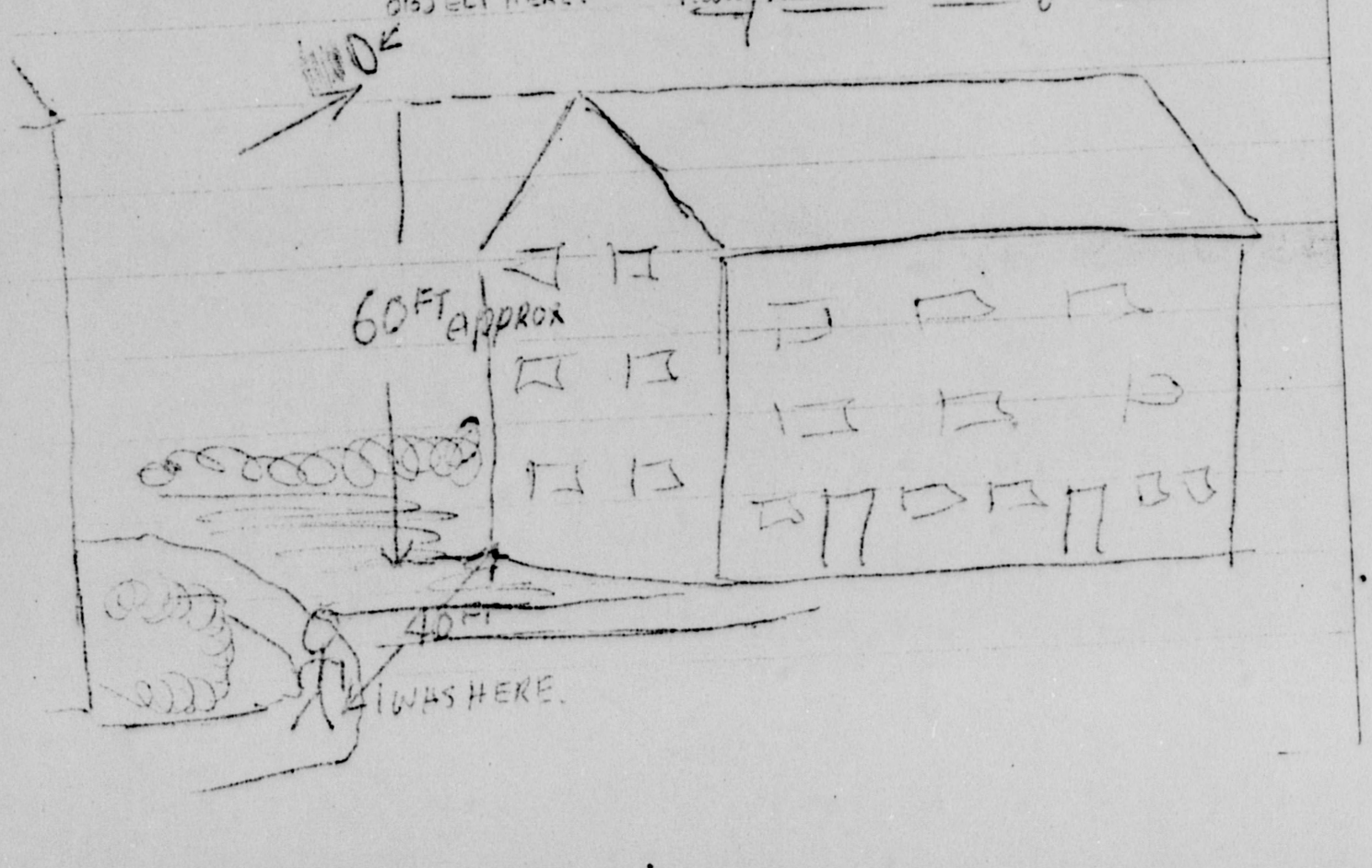
Rough estimation of how I saw it.



APPENDIX III

Form A

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?

SAT 11 (Day) APRIL (Month) 1959 (Year)

2. Time of day: 8 (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?

4 DIV BFPO 15. (Nearest Postal Address) HERFORD. (City or Town) GERMANY. (State or Country)

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ Hours _____ Minutes 3-4 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 (sidelights)~~?
b. ~~Several blocks away~~?
c. ~~A block away~~?
d. ~~Several yards away~~?
e. Other IN THE SKY SOUTH OF HEREFORD

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? → BRIGHT SPIRAL WHICH STAYED FOR APPROX 2½ MINS	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 any time, particularly a cloud?
(*Circle One*): Yes No Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: IT WAS WELL INTO THE SKY AND WAS MOVING OUT OF SIGHT.

13. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?
(*Circle One*): Yes No Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of: I AM POSITIVE THERE WAS NO CLOUDS.

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		

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

a. Sound NO SOUND

b. Color ORIGINAL SHAPE BRIGHT WHITE.

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 vapour 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.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension. _____ feet

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects *held in the hand* and at about arm's length?

(*Circle One*):

a. Head of a pin
b. Pea
c. Dime
d. Nickel
e. Quarter
f. Half-dollar
g. Silver dollar
h. Baseball
i. Grapefruit
j. Basketball
k. Other _____

22.1 *Circle One* of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? REMAINED IN SIGHT MOVING FOR 3-4 SECS AT ANGLE SOUTH OF HERE FOR AS IF GOING OUT OF SIGHT.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

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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 IN GRAY [illegible]

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

IT WAS JUST BEFORE I WAS READING FROM THIS BOOK "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED" THAT THROUGH CURIOSITY I HAPPENED TO LOOK UP WITH INTENTION THAT I SAW IT. ABOUT GINGERLY SIGHT

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

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

a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest 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 _____ degrees

31.2 When it disappeared:
a. From true North _____ degrees
b. From horizon _____ degrees

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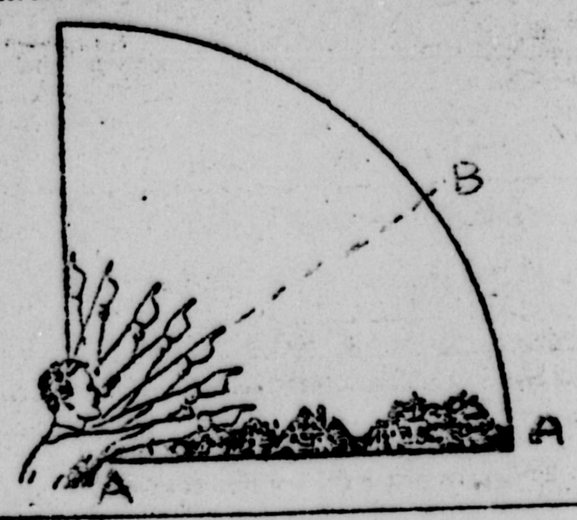
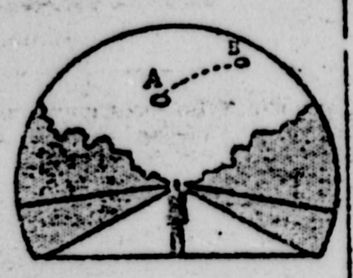
32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



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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?

Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?
(*Circle One*) Yes (No) ONLY TO SEE THE SHOW

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?
(*Circle One*) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:
STRANGER WHO JUST HAPPENED TO PASS

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?
ABOUT 7 YEARS AGO, IT WAS LIKE
A BALL OF FIRE GOING AT A HIGH SPEED
REMAINED IN SIGHT FOR APPRX 5 SEC
SOUTH OF CARDIGAN TOWN S.W. WALES, GT BRITAIN

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

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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? ____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted]

Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS 4 DIV BEVOIS HEREFORD TOWN BRITISH GERMANY

Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER ____

What is your present job? PHOTOGRAPHER AND MAP STOREMAN (IN ARMY) AND MAP MAKER

Age 21 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school ____
b. High school ____
c. College ____
d. Post graduate ____
e. Technical school 3RD CLASS
(Type) ____
f. Other special training AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER QUALIFIED

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: SAT APRIL 1959

Day Month Year

MEMO ROUTING SLIP	NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS		
1 NAME OR TITLE Col Rethman	INITIALS		CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION AFCIN-4E4	DATE	1 & 2	COORDINATION
2 Col Hoffman			FILE
Maj L. J. Tacker			INFORMATION
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4			SEE ME
			SIGNATURE

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FROM NAME OR TITLE	DATE
Major Robert J. Friend	12 May 1959
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION AFCIN-4E43	TELEPHONE 69216

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11 APRIL, 1959

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

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	INITIALS		
1 NAME OR TITLE: Col Rethman			CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION: ~~AFCIN-4E4~~	DATE: 12 May 59	1	COORDINATION
2 ~~Col Hoffman~~	5/13/59	2	FILE
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FROM NAME OR TITLE: James C. Bolieu for Major Robert J. Friend	DATE: 12 May 1959
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION: AFCIN-4E4g	TELEPHONE: 69216

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28 May 1959

Dear [redacted]

This is to acknowledge your letter of 11 April 1959 concerning an unidentified flying object sighting in Germany on that date.

The description is characteristic of a meteor and you were probably fortunate enough to have viewed such a phenomenon.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Executive Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information Services

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