PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: August 1960	2. LOCATION: Essex, Illinois	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other: Chaff ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT _ _ _	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes Physical ☒ No Specimen	6. SOURCE: Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: not reported	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: multiple	9. COURSE: found on ground

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Foil strips sent to Chanute AFB for possible identification. Desired to know how these strips got into the fields.

11. COMMENTS

Physical specimens of foil identified as chaff used in Radar jamming.

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Director
Aerospace Studies Branch
ATTN: Archives
Maxwell AFB, Alabama

RETURN TO

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

Essex Lee
Sept 7th 1960.

Dear Sir;-

Am sending something that look's like tinfoil that we found on our farm and other farmers have also found it in there fields. But I sent it in to Prairie Farmer and received this letter so am sending it on to You. In some spots it is (Excuse) these I have delayed in sending this letter But Perhaps you should know what it is and how it gets in these fields. Yours

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HEADQUARTERS
CHANUTE TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
CHANUTE AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

16 August 1960

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted] Illinois

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your recent letter to Prairie Farmer has been forwarded to Chanute Air Force Base for our reply.

We are not expert on this matter, by any means, however, we believe that there is no harm associated with the foil, and that it would in no way be dangerous to living creatures.

If you have any further doubts concerning the foil, I suggest that you contact the Office of Information, Office Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely,

George W Ogles

GEORGE W. OGLES
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Information Officer

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