PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Jan 61	2. LOCATION SW of Stuttgart, Germany	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 1840 GMT 031740Z Jan 61	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2	9. COURSE SW-NE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING: Top unit was rectangular and reflected a bright orange-yellow color similar to a rocket exhaust that was coming from a round shaped object beneath it far enough to plainly discern the separation. Faint high pitched whistle heard before object reached Zenith and then died out after passage. Size not known, but was much larger than stars seen during passage.

11. COMMENTS: Witness attempted to indicate that the color of a "fireball" is consistent as to shade. Fireballs very in color and shade. The sighting lasted just less that 3 min, yet only one report was ever made. The information is very limited and general, precluding a valid conclusion.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

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1125th USAF Field Activities Group (ATIC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
APO 633, New York, New York

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: ITIAC

17 JAN 1961

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Report

TO: Hq USAF (AFCIN) Washington 25, D.C.

1. The inclosed is a UFO report from Lt Colonel Ralph E. Keyes. The report does not give the exact time of the sighting, however, telephone conversation between this office and the individual, SP4 Schuelke, reported the sighting as of 3 January 1961.

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OFFICE OF THE AIR LIAISON OFFICER
HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
G-3 SECTION
APO 46 US FORCES

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: OALO-7th Army

6 January 1961

SUBJECT: Report Of UFO Observed 1740Z Near Stuttgart, Germany

TO: Commanding General
Hq USAFE
APO 633, US Forces
ATTN: ATIC, Det # 3

1. The following is the report of an UFO submitted to the 17AF Air Liaison Officer, Hq 7th Army, Stuttgart, Germany, 1430Z 6 Jan 61.

Shape of top unit was rectangular and reflected a bright orange yellow color similar to a rocket exhaust that was coming from a round shaped object beneath it far enough to plainly discern the separation. Faint high pitched whistle heard before object reached the Zenith and then died out after passage. Size not known as estimate of altitude for comparison not available. It was much larger than stars seen during passage. Cloud cover was such that objects would have been less than 12000' high at time of observation. Course was South West to North East. Wife first observed object and called attention of reporter to the object. Zenith was reached about 60° South East of observer. Objects moved in a straight flight path. Top rectangle constantly moved through a 90° flat trajectory back and forth. After objects reached 45° past Zenith toward North East, bright orange flames seemed to explode from the fire ball causing the rectanglar object to catch fire starting at tips working inwards toward center. Fire was more red than fire ball flames. As the burning progressed the ball and rectangle started to separate rapidly. The ball disappeared from view going lower at about 30° above the horizon while the rectangle was still visable burning and breaking into many flaming pieces. Estimate that the whole sighting took place within three minutes.

Object was observed from the ground unaided by optical aids. Time of observation 1740-1743Z. Sky condition at 1800Z was 2000' scattered 12000 overcast. (As reported at nearby Echterdingen Airfield) Sighting was apparently beneath clouds as object did not disappear and reappear through breaks observed where stars could be seen. Location of sighting was Singelfingen, S.W. of Stuttgart, Germany, 48° 42' 20" North 9° 00' 00" East by SP 4 Wilfred K. Schuelke, RA55627271, Hq Sp Troops, Provost Marshal Office, Bldg 6, Patch Barracks. Tele: Patch Mil: 8179.

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