PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 Aug 61	**2. LOCATION** Brooklyn, New york	**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 2020 GMT 260120Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 min	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** 1	**9. COURSE** SE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Flat bright brilliant shiny flickering objt in view for 20 min. Seemed to have tail following objt. Viewed at night. Flgight NW to SE gradual fading. Winds SW at 25-30 knots.

11. COMMENTS Report indicates that sighting was of balloon released at New York International Airport. Winds conform to flight of balloon release.

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SUSPECTED DUPLICATE OF MESSAGE PREVIOUSLY RELEASED. CHECK BEFORE TAKING ACTION.

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SUBJECT: UFO. UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 15, AFR 200-2, THE FOLLOWING REPORT OF UFO SIGHTING IS SUBMITTED:

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

(1) FLAT OBJECT

(2) SILVER DOLLAR

(3) WHITE BRILLIANT SHINING OBJECT, HAD SLIGHT FLICKERING TO OBJECT.

(4) ONE

(5) N/A

AIRPORT. SAID BALLOON WOULD RISE QUITE RAPIDLY AND HAS A LIGHT ON THE BOTTOM OF EQUIPMENT BEING CARRIED SO IT CAN BE TRACKED BY OBSERVERS OF THE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU. AFTER BALLOON HAS ACHIEVED ALTITUDE ITS RATE OF DRIFT NO DOUBT SEEMED EXCESSIVE TO OBSERVER AND SINCE UFO DISAPPEARED OVER OBSERVER'S HOME IT IS UNKNOWN WHERE THE BALLOON FINALLY LANDED. THERE WERE NO OTHER REPORTED SIGHTINGS OF THE ABOVE LISTED UFO.

L. NONE.

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26/1957Z AUG RJEZJR

30,000' NOT AVAILABLE

(3) CEILING--NONE

(4) VISIBILITY--8 TO 10 MILES PLUS.

(5) AMOUNT OF CLOUD COVER--2/8 TO 3/8

(6) THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA: NONE

(7) TEMPERATURE GRADIENT: WEAK INVERSION AT 16,000 FEET.

H. ANY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OR CONDITIONS: NONE. TROPOPAUSE AT 43,700 FEET

I. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN: NONE.

J. NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RELEASED A BALLOON WITHIN ONE HOUR OF 0000Z WHICH IS SHORTLY BEFORE SIGHTING WAS MADE. DIRECTION OF DRIFT WAS IN DIRECTION OF OBSERVER FROM NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

K. CAPTAIN WILLIAM S. BARNETT, CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, NEW YORK AIR DEFENSE SECTOR, MCGUIRE AFB N. J. OBSERVER WAS WATCHING A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON WHICH WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT 0135Z 26 AUGUST 1961. SINCE OBSERVATION OF THIS UFO TOOK PLACE JUST BEFORE THE SCHEDULED ECLIPSE IT IS THE FEELING OF THIS OFFICER THAT WHAT MRS. BIANCO SAW WAS PROBABLY THE RESULTS OF THE BALLOON RELEASE FROM NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL

(6) NONE

(7) SEEMED TO HAVE A TAIL, FOLLOWING THE OBJECT. ABOUT FOUR TIMES THE SIZE OF THE OBJECT.

(8) NONE.

(9) NONE.

B. DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE OF THE OBJECT:

(1) JUST FIRST SAW THE OBJECT WHILE SITTING ON OWN FRONT PORCH.

(2) STRAIGHT UP FROM OBSERVER'S LOCATION.

(3) DISAPPEARED OVER OBSERVER'S HOUSE STILL VERY HIGH.

(4) NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST, STRAIGHT LINE OF FLIGHT.

(5) DISAPPEARED OVER OBSERVER'S HOUSE.

(6) 20 MINUTES.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND - VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) N/A.

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) 0120Z-0125Z 26 AUGUST 1961.

(2) DARK.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER:

(1[redacted], BROOKLYN, NEW YORK AT INTERSECTION WITH [redacted] BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) CIVILIAN--MRS. [redacted], AGE 33, 533 [redacted] BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, MANAGES A RESTAURANT, SEEMS TO BE CLEARHEADED AND NOT PRONE TO PANIC. OBSERVER STATED SHE HAD NOT HAD ANYTHING TO DRINK DURING THE ENTIRE EVENING OF SIGHTING

G. WEATHER AND WINDS--ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINE:

(1) NIGHT WAS CLEAR WITH ONLY SOME CLOUDS FROM TIME TO TIME. HOWEVER, AT TIME OF SIGHTING THERE WERE NO CLOUDS AND SKY WAS CLEAR. SHE COULD SEE STARS AND WAS WATCHING HEAVENS.

(2) WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY:

SURFACE	SSW 3 TO 5 KNOTS
6000'	210/15
10,000'	210/15
16,000'	230/30
20,000	230/25
30,000'	230/30
50,000'	250/25