PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
18 Jul 62	Toledo, Spain	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 18/2300Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes x☐ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 12-15 mins	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** NW to SE
		☒ Other Echo I ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

[illegible] appeared to be fast traveling [illegible], seemed to shine more brightly [illegible] times.

11. COMMENTS

Echo I still in orbit. At 00.17 on 18 Jul 62, Echo I was at 82dgr elev north of Madrid moving SE. It is possible that echo was witnessed by obsvr. The satellite placed in orbit by the Thor Rocke decayed on 25 Jul 62; the rocket body, on 27 Jul 62.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE TRANSLATION NO. I-1946

LANGUAGE: Spanish TRANSLATOR: A.W.H.

SUBJECT: Letter

19 July 1962

Aeronautics and Space Administration
Cape Canaveral, Florida
U.S.A.

Gentlemen:

Last night, on the 18th of this month, at about 12 o'clock, when I was with my children, [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted], 12, 10 and 8 years of age respectively, talking about the universe, mainly the Ursae Majoris, one of them said to me, "How fast that star is travelling that is going to pass close to the pole of the carriage." We looked and we saw what appeared to be a star travelling very rapidly. We thought it was Echo I, but it had been a long time since we had heard of it . I told my children that you had probably launched another satellite like Echo I, since it looked like it. It seemed to be travelling from northwest to southeast, and we watched it for a period of some 12-15 minutes, from the time we saw it until it disappeared, and it passed almost directly over us. Today I see in the newspaper that with a Thor rocket you have launched a folded satellite to be inflated in the atmosphere to a diameter of 40 meters. That is why I am reporting this to you. We are very proud if we have been among those to have seen it, during the few minutes of its existence, perhaps burning upon re-entering our atmosphere, for at times it appeared to shine more brightly. I am very happy to send you these observations, in the hope that they may be of some help to you in your research. It may or may not be the satellite spoken of in the newspaper today, but we actually saw what I have described to you...

Very truly yours,

/s/ [redacted]

Puebla de Almoradiel (Toledo)

[illegible] VERDUGO
Av/ de Calvo Sotelo,44
[illegible] MADRID

19 de Julio de 1.962

Dirección General de Aeronáutica y del Espacio
Cabo Cañaberal. Florida (Estados Unidos)
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Pres.

En la noche pasada, del 18 del actual, sobre las 12 horas, estando con mis hijos [redacted] de 12,10 y 6 años respectivamente, hablándoles del Universo, principalmente del grupo de estrellas llamado Mayor, uno de ellos le dice "padre, mira qué deprisa camina aquella estrella que va a pasar junto a la punta de lanza del carro", efectivamente hacia allí miramos y vemos, como una estrella que camina muy deprisa, creyendo se trataría del ECO I, pero te oye ya hacía mucho tiempo que no teníamos noticias, y pensé y así lo dije a mis hijos que es que probablemente habrían lanzado ustedes otro globo igual o parecido al citado ECO I, ya que se veía igual; caminaba a mi parecer con bastante velocidad y lo estuvimos viendo por espacio de unos 12/15 minutos hasta que se perdió en el lecho su desaparición, y creo muy por encima nuestra cabeza como la vemos el. Como hoy veo en la prensa, que han lanzado ustedes con anterioridad, un globo plegado para ir luego en la atmósfera hasta un diámetro de 30 metros, es por lo que lo relaciono, especulándose si hemos sido los que lo han visto, bien (también eso) pocos minutos de existencia o que quera que pueda ser, pero que estaba. Por todo ello me es muy grato poner en su conocimiento estas observaciones, por si en su modestia, pueden servirle para algo en sus grandes investigaciones. Será o no el globo de que habla hoy la prensa, pero lo que sí es cierto es que vimos, lo que les relato. Mi esposa a los pocos minutos de verlo no le interesó, y se quedó en casa. Me estuvo hasta que se perdió de vista. Lo les noticia, les envío un abrazo de mis hijos y un afectuoso saludo,

[redacted]

Certificado R. 915

DIRECCION GENERAL DE AERONAUTICA Y DEL ESPACIO

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CORREO AEREO
AIR MAIL

CERTIFICADO
20 JUL 6
PUEBLA CAMPAÑA

18 JULY 62

October 5, 1962

Dear Mr [redacted]

Your letter of July 16, 1962 to Cape Canaveral has been referred to this office. I regret the delay, however your letter was directed to several offices before finally reaching the office of primary interest.

Our records indicate that Echo I, which is still in orbit, would have been north of Madrid moving in a southeasterly direction at 17 minutes after midnight on 18 July, 1962. It should have been at an elevation of 82 degrees, which would put it in the line of sight you have indicated with reference to Ursae Majoris.

May we express our appreciation for your interest and promptness in reporting your sighting.

Sincerely,

W. J. LOOKADOO
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Public Information Div
Office of Information

HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TD-E/Col Wynn

2 October 1962

SUBJECT: Request for UFO Information ([redacted]

TO: Hq USAF
SAFOI-3b (Major Hart)
Wash 25 DC

1. Reference the attached letter from [redacted] furnishing information on unidentified flying objects. This letter is forwarded to your office for whatever action you deem necessary.

2. Echo I is still in orbit. At 00.17 on 18 July 1962, Echo I was at 82 degrees elevation, north of Madrid moving southeast. It is possible that Echo was witnessed by Mr. [redacted] and his children. The satellite placed in orbit by the Thor Rocket decayed on 25 July 1962; the rocket body, on 27 July 1962. We express our appreciation for Mr. [redacted] interest and promptness in reporting the object.

FOR THE COMMANDER

for EDWARD H. WYNN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
and Components

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dtd 19 Jul 62

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