PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5 October 1962	**2. LOCATION** Ouagadougou, Upper Volta, Africa	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Atlas Booster ☐ 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 ☒ No Physical Specimen	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not reported	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** falling

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Metal object fell to ground recovered by field workers in Upper Volta, Africa. IR 792290, IR 1497987.1497985.

11. COMMENTS

Identified as part of Atlas Booster fm Shirra flight by numbers on piece of metal submitted for analysis.

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INCOMING TELEGRAM **Department of State**

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FROM: Ouagadougou

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 115, October 12, 3 p.m.

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ACTION DEPARTMENT 115, INFORMATION PARIS 27, ABIDJAN 31.

PASS TO AFCINUSAF, USAFE AND 1127TH FA GROUP FT. BELVOIR VA.

FROM USAIRA

Reference: EMBTELS 109 and 111

Have examined two pieces of material found near latitude 13 degrees 35 minutes north, longitude 2 degrees 38 minutes west reported in my message from Abidjan 10 October reference unknown and Embassy Ouagadougou messages 109 and 111 to SECSTATE.

Both pieces suggest explosion, have been subjected to intense heat and burning. Apparently not an aircraft. Appears to be cowling from rocket booster of US design. Unit previously referred to as exhaust pipe resemble a guidance control rocket. Pieces were found 40 kilometers apart. Ambassador contacting Foreign Office to gain possession of material and if successful I will forward soonest. Photos will be pouched as soon as processed.

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