

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 7 November 1962		2. LOCATION Baltimore, Maryland		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other NASA Sodium Shot ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0540 GMT 07/1040Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE expanding	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Pink object in sky observed to the south of Baltimore by cab driver in early morning. Object moved erratically. Funny shape which expanded until it covered 1/5 of distance between horizons in east and west. Object small but later expanded retaining shape. All pink color. Sighting duration 15 minutes.				11. COMMENTS Sighting in November. Rpt in letter to NASA. Forwarded to AF on 4 April 1963. Pink color attributed to early sun on cloud at altitude. Description conforms with previous rpts of experimental high altitude Sodium/chemical shots from Wallops Island. Duration consistent with dissipation by winds. Expansion & description conform with this analysis.	

753-010

Middle River, Md.
7 Nov. 62

To Officer In Charge;
Research and Development, Cape
Canaveral, Florida.

Sir,

I am a night dispatcher for
the Edgewater Cab Co. in Middle
River, Md.. On my way home
from work this morning at
approximately 5:40 A.M. Eastern
standard time I observed a pink
object in the sky due south from
Middle River, which seemed to
be moving on an erratic course.

It formed a funny looking
shape in the sky and as I
watched it the design it
made in the sky became
larger and larger until
it covered about one-fifth of
the distance between the

horizons of East and West.
 I do not know if you are
 interested in this information
 or not but I am forwarding
 it to you in the hope it
 may be of some value to
 you people who are interested
 in the space program.

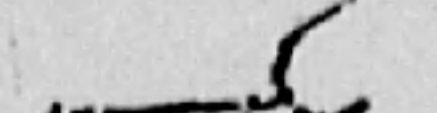
Sincerely yours,
 Mr. [REDACTED]

BALTO, 21, MD.

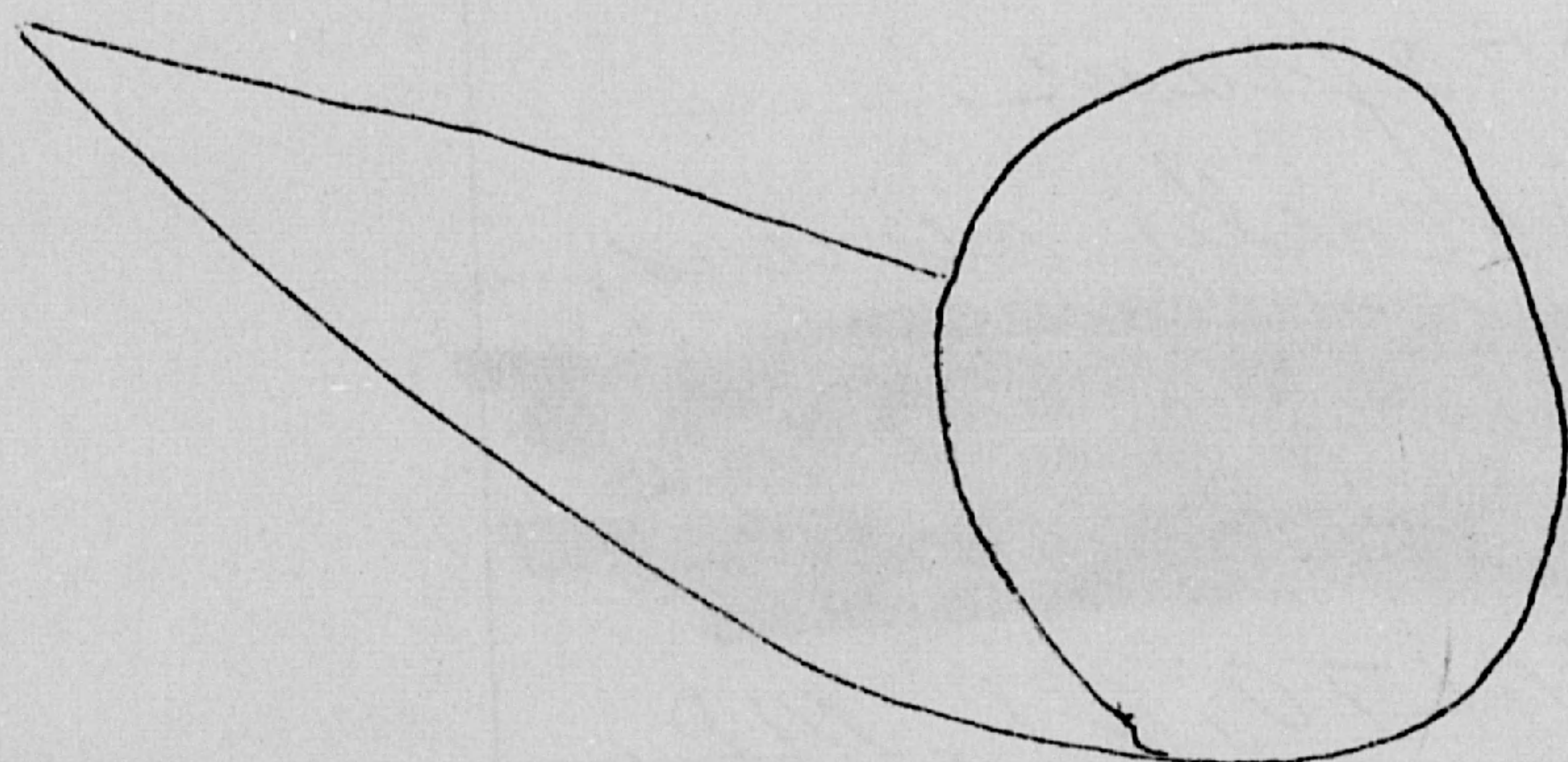
P.S.

I am enclosing a diagram
 of what I saw in hope it
 will help you understand
 what I mean.

Thank you
 [REDACTED]

Appearance⁻³⁻ of object when
I first saw it was like
this. 

About fifteen minutes later it was gigantic in size, like this below, and all pink.



Thank you,

BALTO. 21, MD.



NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

APR 4 1963

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Baltimore 21, Maryland

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

Your letter of November 7, 1962, addressed to Cape Canaveral, Florida, regarding your observation of what appeared to be an unidentified flying object was forwarded to this Headquarters and received by the Inventions and Contributions Board on January 23, 1963.

We regret the delay which has occurred in replying to your letter, and we appreciate the interest which prompted its submittal. As you may know, a number of similar observations have been reported for which there is no particularly satisfactory explanation. This Agency has neither the assignment nor the facilities to investigate such occurrences. We have therefore forwarded your letter to the Department of the Air Force which has the primary responsibility for investigating this type of phenomenon.

Sincerely yours,

Original signed by
James A. Hootman

James A. Hootman
Executive Secretary
Inventions and Contributions Board

cc:
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base



NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

April 4, 1963

IN REPLY REFER TO: AB

TO : Air Tactical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

FROM : Executive Secretary
Inventions and Contributions Board

SUBJECT: An unidentified flying object reported by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of Middle River, Baltimore 21, Maryland on
November 7, 1962.

Forwarded herewith as a matter coming under the cognizance of your Center is a letter received by this Headquarters from Mr. [REDACTED] of Middle River, Maryland dated November 7, 1962, describing his observation of a pink object in the sky on the morning of that day. This letter is forwarded for whatever action is deemed appropriate. A copy of our reply to Mr. [REDACTED] is also enclosed.

James A. Hootman
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