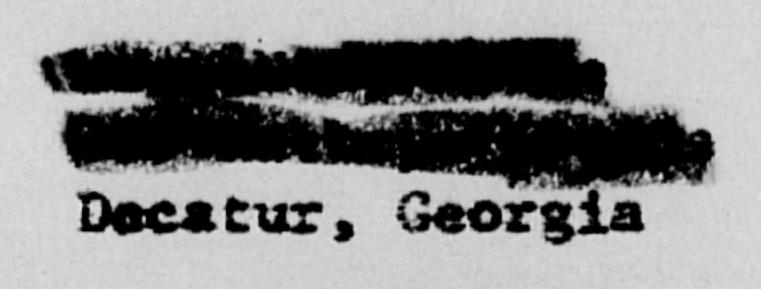
## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION		12.	CONCLUSIONS
23 March 1963 3. DATE-TIME GROUP	Atlanta, George 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	<u>cia</u>	000	Was Balloon Probably Balloon Possibly Balloon
Local 2000 GMT 24/0100Z	MXGround-Visual	□ Ground-Radar □ Air-Intercept Radar	000	Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS  O Yes  OX.Mo	6. SOURCE Civilian			Was Astronomical Meteor Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS			Other Insufficient Data for Evaluation Unknown
1-3 seconds	one	descending		
Object viewed to the NE impression of floating the sky. Size estimated sun. Blue and edged with except for portion pull a tear-drop shape.	11. COMMENTS			

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April 12, 1963

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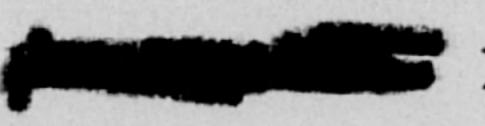
We are referring your report of April 5, 1963, of the sighting of a meteor-like object to the Foreign Technology Division, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for their information, and any reply they may consider appropriate.

Such phenomena are outside our area of study and activity. Therefore, we do not believe it is appropriate for us to try to identify the phenomenon you saw. We can only speculate that the most probable explanation is that it was a meteor, but we have no other reports that would help us prove or disprove this possible explanation.

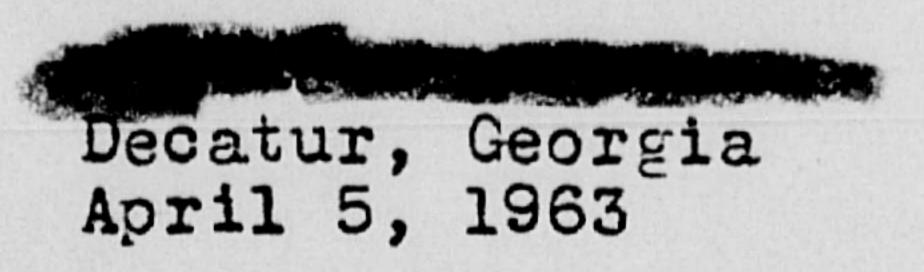
Sincerely yours,

A. K. Showalter Chief, Observations and Station Facilities Division

Wright-Patterson AFB (with



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U. S. Weather Bureau Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

## METEOR

On the evening of March 23, at almost precisely eight O'clock, I saw, roughly northeast from Decatur (Atlanta), an object float down from from the sky and disappear behind rooftops. It seemed to go with infinite leisure but I cannot be sure whether I observed it for one second or three. It was not less than one second.

The object was roughly a third as large as the sun seems to be when directly overhead on a winter day. It was blue in color and edged with gold. It was round, but was pulled downward toward a raindrop shape, especially the gold edge which made a streamer of sparks toward the earth. It was also pulled a little out of shape at the top where the gold streamed a little upward.

I have watched both papers and magazines for an explanation, and finally began to wonder if my observation might be of value-I am quite sure you have had other descriptions of this phenomenon. It was the most spectacularly beautiful thing I have ever seen.

I should be most interested to know what I saw. There is no doubt of my having seen something.

Very sincerely,