

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Aug 52		2. LOCATION Baltimore, Maryland		12. CONCLUSIONS	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 0025		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE GOC Ind. Eng.			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE .	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Red color. "Light" shape. Flashed off and on.				11. COMMENTS Location of obj N.E. of Baltimore. No definite compass direction - light appeared at different locations in sky. Flashing red - 5' intervals. Pilot light on a balloon.	

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647th AC&W Squadron				

1. Object was a bright red flashing light which presented a flash similar to a photo flash bulb at intervals of from twenty seconds to one minute forty seconds. Red flashes changed to a copper color at times. Object moved back and forth over a distance of about two miles over the eastern section of Baltimore. Object traveled in a northern and southern direction.

2. Object was under observation from 0200Z through 0230Z, 27 August 1952. This information extracted from "3rd Observation" of statement from Mr Shaw. The report on the "3rd Observation" in the statement from Mr Shaw was received at 0237Z, 27 August 1952. No report was received at this station on the other observations referred to in subject statement.

3. Observation was made visual from the ground.

4. Observer was located at thirty nine (39) degrees sixteen (16) minutes north latitude and seventy six (76) degrees thirty five (35) minutes west longitude. Object was east of observer. Angle of the object from the observer varied from five degrees to forty five degrees above the horizon.

5. Observation was made by Mr Edward H Shaw, whose address is 3000 Windsor Ave Baltimore 16, Maryland, Phone; Wilkens 4673 and Edmondson 3671. Observer's occupation is reported as industrial engineer. Observer states object was observed by three other adults. Names and addresses of other observers was not given. Reliability and experience of observer is unknown.

6. Sky condition was clear with eight miles visibility in the general area of the sighting. Winds aloft:

5,000	050	10 knots	30,000	330	10 knots
10,000	080	30 knots	35,000	310	15 knots
15,000	080	15 knots	40,000	240	25 knots
20,000	080	10 knots			
25,000	030	10 knots			

7. Unknown.

8. Observer states photograph was taken and developed. Subject photograph was not submitted with statement from observer. It is assumed that photograph is in the possession of the observer.

9. No interception attempted. Report was received at this station at 0237Z, 27 August 1952. Upon receipt of report a check was made on all electronic equipment available and no targets were detected in the area of reported sighting.

10. This station has no record of any air activity in the general area of the sighting at the time of the observation.

Gentry E. Barnes
GENTRY E. BARNES
1st Lt., USAF

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DETACHMENT NO. 6
1670TH GROUND OBSERVER SQUADRON
Pythian Bldg, Charles and Preston Sts
Baltimore 1, Maryland.

DST/cdp

23 August 1952

SUBJECT: Report of Unconventional Flying Object;

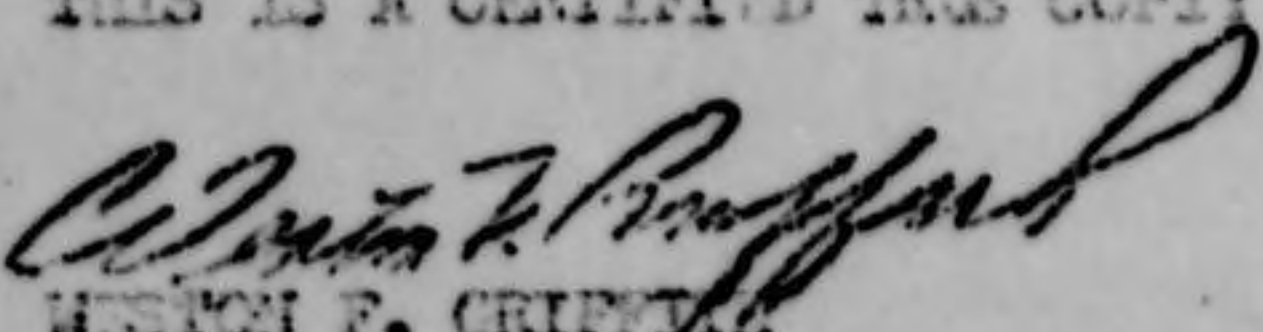
TO: Commanding Officer
647th AGOSW Squadron
Manassas, Virginia

Enclosed is a report of an unconventional flying object by
E. M. Shaw

1 Incl:
Letter from Mr. E. M. Shaw
Dated 26 August 1952

s/ Joseph Chazen
t/ JOSEPH CHAZEN
Capt., USAF
Commanding

THIS IS A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:


WESTON F. GRIFFITH
Captain, USAF



REF [REDACTED]

August 26, 1952

Capt. J. Chazen
Detachment No. 6
1670th Grd. Obser. Sqd.
Pythean Bldg, Charles & Preston St.
Baltimore 1, Md.

Sir:

In reference to three recent phone conversations with your command in reference to unidentified objects over the city of Baltimore. It has been requested that the undersigned file a report on same.

1st Observation

Date: August 13 - Time: 2205 - 2235

Observers Location: 3000 Windsor Ave. Section of city, West

Object: Bright Red flashing light similar to speed of a photo flash bulb. Time element for 1st fifteen minutes, flashes were spaced approximately (20) seconds apart. Balance of time observed, flash intervals were further apart, up to (1) minute and 40 seconds. Movement of light was erratic. Moving in an area of approximately (2) miles from North & South and return. Altitude from approximately 5° above horizon to about 45°. Appearing to be about over Eastern section of city. Direction of light from observer was approximately due East. Light was observed by (3) adults.

The light was definitely not an aircraft or air ship of any type. Nor was it flares, gun flashes or any other device capable of giving off such a flash. Observation reported to Air Craft filter Center, and F. B. I.

2nd Observation

Date: August 24th, 1952 - Time: 2345

Observers Location: Indicated for 1st observation

Object was first observed by writers family from 1200 Belvedere Ave. this city. This person phoned writers of his find. Photograph was made & developed of object. Due to the location of 3000 Windsor Ave. and the 1200 Block Belvedere Ave. the writer could have mistaken a star for object. However, a brilliant white light was observed over Eastern section of city. Light was steady, moving at first very slowly upward; However, after a period of approximately 10 minutes, appeared to stop, for duration of observation.

3rd Observation

Identical to 1st observation, except for flashes brilliant Red changing to more or less copper color. Time element about the same. Time of observation between 2200 and 2230. Object observed by (3) adults.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
Any further observations will be recorded to the best of this writer's ability and forwarded to your command

Very truly yours

s/ E. M. Shaw
t/ E. M. SHAW

P.S.

Date: August 25:1952. Time: 2200 - 2310. - Location: East
Observed same light identical to 1st observation. Time intervals of flash were spaced much longer apart. Light covered a wide area. Various altitudes approximately same. Color of light Brilliant Red, White: Red, and White. It was not aircraft. Placed observation in to Filter Center. White light was more on the amber tone or shade.

s/ E.M. Shaw
t/ E.M. SHAW

THIS IS A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

W. C. Griff
WESLEY P. GRIFF
Captain, USAF

3000 Windsor Ave.
Baltimore 16, Md.
Wilsons 4673
Edmonson 3671

~~SECRET~~

ACTION

1. Atia
2. Atia
3. C. files

ATC

1950 AUG 27

16:15

97 Aug

123

101

107

103

101

JEPH JEPH JEPH JEPH 444

ROSLYN NY 201/1000 5 D

2710-12 100

CC 347TH ACADW CO LANASSAS VA

TO JEPH/NO USAF WASHDC

INFO JEPH/AIR TECH INTEL GEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEPH/CG INT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

JEPH/CG EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

JEPH/CG 26 ADIV DTF ROSLYN NY

ACC 251 PD AIR TECH INTEL GEN ATTN ATIAA-2 CNA

USAF ATTN DIR OF INTEL 26 ADIV CLN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT

/FLYCRPT/ PD 1. BRILLIANT RED LIGHT CNA SHARP AND SIZE UNDETERMINED

CNA FLASHED OFF AND ON AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE SECOND INTERVALS CNA

OBJECT MOVED ABOVE WITHOUT ESTABLISHING ANY PATTERN OF FLIGHT OR

DIRECTION PD 2. OBJECT SIGHTED AT 2252 27 AUGUST 1950 PD TOTAL TIME

OF OBSERVATION UNKNOWN PD 3. OBSERVATION MADE VISUALLY BY A

CIVILIAN GROUND OBSERVER CORPS VOLUNTEER LOCATED AT THIRTY NINE /101/

DEGREES FIFTY /15/ MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE AND SEVENTY SIX /170/

DEGREES THIRTY FIVE /35/ MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE PD ALTITUDE ESTIMATED

0225 2

1025 EDT

7-3719-10

IDENTIFICATION UNKNOWN PD 3. OBSERVATION MADE VISUALLY BY A
CIVILIAN GROUND OBSERVER CORPS VOLUNTEER LOCATED AT THIRTY NINE /19/
DEGREES SIXTEEN /18/ MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE AND SEVENTY SIX /76/
DEGREES THIRTY FIVE /35/ MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE PD ALTITUDE ESTIMATED

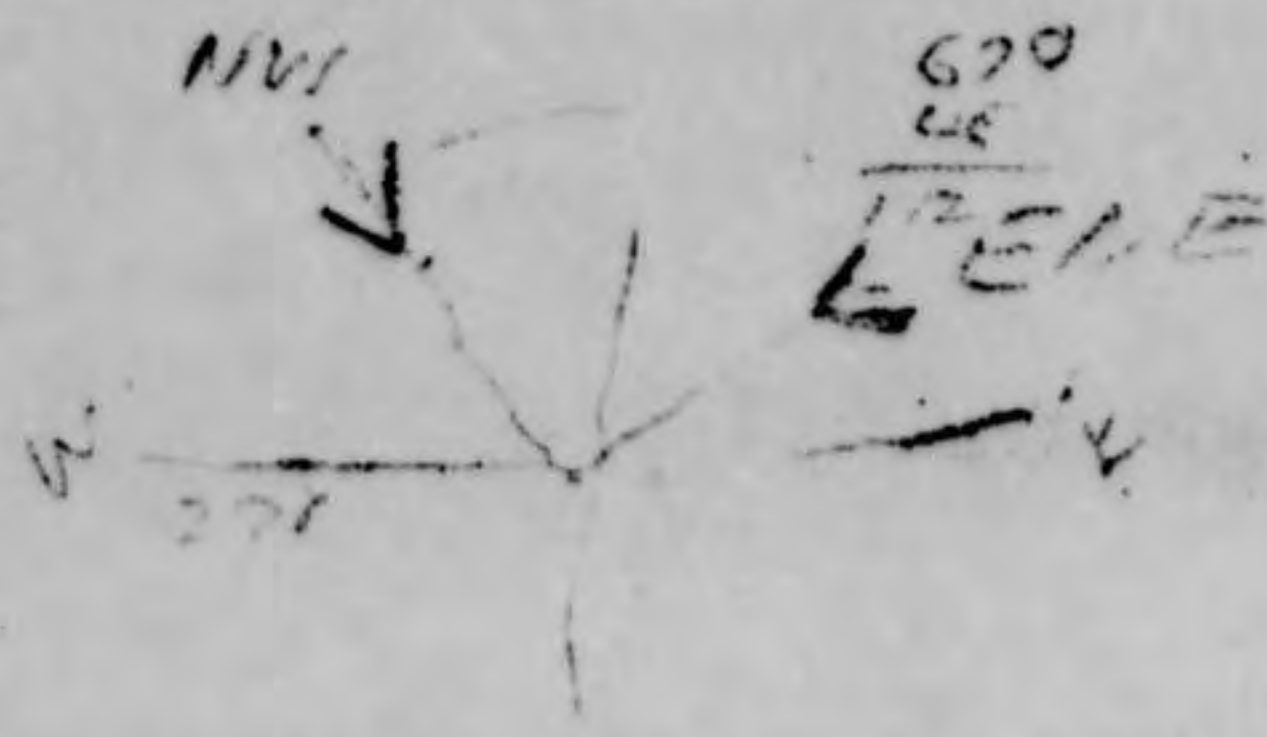
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AT 3000 FEET PD OBJECT MOVED ABOUT CMA WOULD FADE IN ONE PLACE THEN
REAPPEAR IN ANOTHER PD 4. OBSERVER LOCATED AT THIRTY NINE /19/ DEGREES
SIXTEEN /18/ MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE AND SEVENTY SIX /76/ DEGREES THIRTY
FIVE /35/ MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE PD LOCATION OF OBJECT IN RELATIONS TO
OBSERVATION PD OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE AT 3000 FEET PD 5. OBJECT WAS
OBSERVED BY EDWARD H SHAN CMA A CIVILIAN GROUND OBSERVER CORPS
VOLUNTEER WHOSE ADDRESS IS SHCLN 3 11 WINDSOR AVE CMA BALTIMORE MD
CMA PHONE NUMBER CMA WILKINS 4573 PD OCCUPATION CMA INDUSTRIAL
ENGINEER PD RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE OF OBSERVER UNKNOWN PD 6 SKY
CONDITION WAS CLEAR CMA VISIBILITY EIGHT /8/ MILES DURING PERIOD OF
SIGHTING PD

WINDS ALOFT DURING PERIOD OF SIGHTING SHCLN

3000 FEET FROM 45 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
10000 FEET FROM 58 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS
15000 FEET FROM 33 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS
20000 FEET FROM 38 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
25000 FEET FROM 30 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
30000 FEET FROM 34 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
35000 FEET FROM 31 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS
40000 FEET FROM 34 DEGREES AT 25 KNOTS

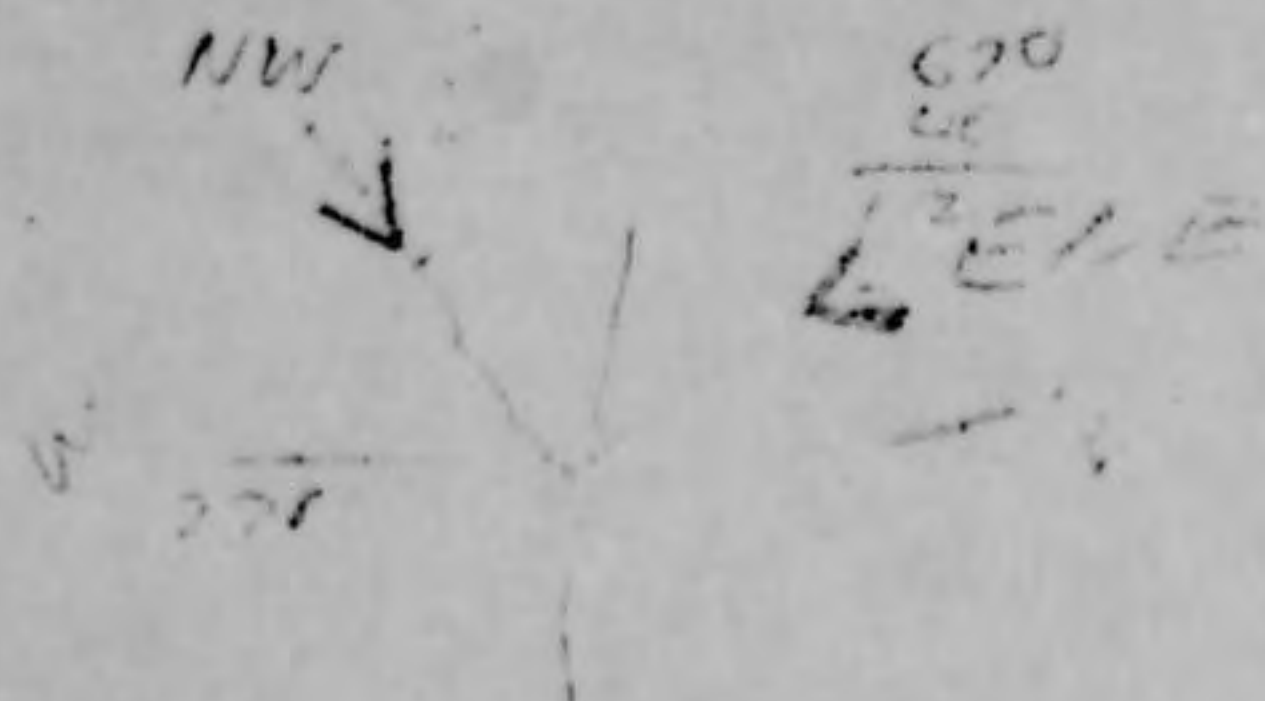


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OBSERVATION PD OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE AT 3300 FEET PD 5. OBJECT WAS
OBSERVED BY EDWARD H. SHAW CNA A CIVILIAN GROUND OBSERVER CORPS
VOLUNTEER WHOSE ADDRESS IS 3400 WINDSOR AVE CNA BALTIMORE MD
CNA PHONE NUMBER CNA WILKINS 4673 PD OCCUPATION CNA INDUSTRIAL
ENGINEER PD RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE OF OBSERVER UNKNOWN PD 6 SKY
CONDITION WAS CLEAR CNA VISIBILITY EIGHT 1/8 MILES DURING PERIOD OF
SIGHTING PD

WINDS ALOFT DURING PERIOD OF SIGHTING SHOWN

500 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
1000 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS
1500 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS
2000 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
2500 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
3000 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 10 KNOTS
3500 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS
4000 FEET FROM 100 DEGREES AT 25 KNOTS



Cy 1

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7. UNKNOWN PD 3. NONE PD 9. NO INTERCEPT ATTEMPTED PD REPORT RECEIVED
AT THIS STATION AT 2070 27 AUGUST 1952 PD UPON RECEIPT OF REPORT AT
THIS STATION THE UPPER AND LOWER BEAMS OF AN AN/TPC-3 WAS
CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS PD HEIGHT-RANGE INDICATOR OF AN AN/TPC-3
WAS ALSO CHECKED PD NO TARGETS WERE DETECTED IN AREA OF SIGHTING PD.
1. NO TARGETS WERE BEING DETECTED BY ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AT THIS
STATION IN AREA OF OBSERVATION AT THE TIME OF SIGHTING PD
N/1455Z AUG JEPON

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>27 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Baltimore, Md</i>	3. TIME Local: _____ Zebra: <i>0225</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
☐ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ Normal ☒ Violent		
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: ☒ Blinking ☐ Steady		
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: ☐ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes <i>unk.</i>		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>C.O. 6217 B HCLW Sq. Manassas, Va.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>No</i>	
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	☐ Yes ☒ No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	☐ Yes ☒ No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)	
☒ Night ☐ Day ☐ Sunrise ☐ Sunset	

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft	
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	☒ Yes ☐ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	☒ Yes ☐ No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☒ Yes ☐ No						
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: <u>5:00</u> Minutes						
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:						
	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	<u>Harrisburg Pa</u>	<u>pitball</u>	<u>USDA 100th Regt</u>			
b.	<u>Philadelphia</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>" "</u>			
c.	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>U.S.N.</u>			
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE: ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Unreliable <u>unh.</u> ☐ Extremely Doubtful ☐ Hoax	22. DETAILS OF REPORT: ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate		
23. FINAL EVALUATION: <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"> ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☒ Possibly Aircraft </td> <td style="width: 50%;"> ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation ☐ Unknown </td> </tr> </table>		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☒ Possibly Aircraft	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation ☐ Unknown
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24. COMMENTS: <u>U.S.N. at Philadelphia releases at 1500 2 only.</u>			

(PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET)

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION <i>22 Aug</i>		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING <i>H. C. / W. Sp. L.</i>	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000	<i>10</i>	<i>030</i>
1,000			30,000	<i>10</i>	<i>331</i>
2,000			35,000	<i>10</i>	<i>310</i>
3,000			40,000	<i>05</i>	<i>340</i>
4,000			45,000		
5,000	<i>10</i>	<i>050</i>	50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000	<i>30</i>	<i>080</i>	75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000	<i>15</i>	<i>080</i>	85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000	<i>10</i>	<i>080</i>	100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☒ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☒ No		
7. CLOUD COVER: <i>unk.</i>				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					


617TH AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON
Manassas, Virginia

27 AUG

SUBJECT: Unconventional Flying Object Report (FLYOBJECT) 4 SEP 1952

THRU: Commanding General
26th Air Division (Defense)
AFHQ: Director of Intelligence
Roslyn, New York

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D.C.

In compliance with AFI 203-5, dated 29 April 1952, transmitted
herewith are AF Forms 112, and inclosures thereto.

3 incs:

1. AF Form 112, dtd
29 Aug 52.
2. Ltr, Let #6, 4670th Grd
Obsr Sq, dtd 23 Aug 52.
3. Ltr. Mr Shaw, dtd 26 Aug 52.

W. A. CRANFORD
Major, USAF
Commanding



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INFORMATION

COUNTRY United States		REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
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AREA REPORTED ON Baltimore, Maryland		FROM (Agency) 647th ADCS Squadron	
DATE OF REPORT 27 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 27 August 1952		EVALUATION F-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) GENTRY E. BARNES, 1st Lt., USAF		SOURCE EDWARD M SHAW, Ground Observer Corps	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Air Force Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952			

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

A report was received at 0237Z, 27 August 1952, from the Baltimore Ground Observer Corps Filter Center stating that an unconventional flying object had been sighted at 0230Z, 27 August 1952. Object was described as a bright red flashing light, which flashed at intervals of from twenty seconds to one minute forty seconds. Object moved back and forth over a distance of about two miles over the eastern section of Baltimore. Object traveled in a northern and southern direction. Flashes from the object changed from red to a copper color at times. A check of the area of the reported sighting was made at this station by all electronic equipment available and no targets were detected.

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