

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>28 Aug 52</u>		2. LOCATION <u>Parkland, Maryland</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☒ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1645</u> GMT _____		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>civilian</u>		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>30 min.</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>1</u>		9. COURSE <u>N</u>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <u>Round. Slow - straight line - revolved and drifted.</u>				11. COMMENTS <u>Source inexperienced observer. Object drifted, round, sunlight reflected from it. Time of sighting within 15 minutes of a balloon release.</u>	

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE 28 Aug 52	2. LOCATION Parkland, Mil	3. TIME Local: 1645 Zebra: 2045
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
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
49. USAF Washington D.C.		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?		
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: 15 Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Unreliable
- ☐ Extremely Doubtful
- ☐ Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft

- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical

- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

Clear path.

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JEDWP/CHIEF ATIC WPAFB OHIO

JEPLG/CG TAC LANGLEY AFB VA

[REDACTED] FROM AFOIN 56754 FLYOBRPT. ATTN CLN ATIAA-2C.

ONE ROUND UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT THAT APPEARED TO BE OF METALLIC CONSTRUCTION WAS OBSERVED FLYING OVER PARKLAND CMA MD. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE HALF THE SIZE OF A FIGHTER AIRCRAFT. NO AERODYNAMIC FEATURES NOTED. NO TRAIL OR EXHAUST NOTED. SPEED UNDETERMINED AS OBJECT WAS MOVING VERY SLOWLY AT AN ALTITUDE OF APPROXIMATELY 5,000 FT. OBJECT FLEW IN A STRAIGHT LINE PARALLEL TO THE EARTH. APPEARED TO REVOLVE SLIGHTLY. OBJECT GLOWED FROM THE REFLECTION OF THE SUN. DID NOT APPEAR TO PRODUCE LIGHT OR POWER OF ITS OWN BUT SEEMED TO DRIFT. OBJECT SIGHTED AT 1645 HOURS CMA 28 AUG 52 BY MR J [REDACTED] CMA MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON CMA DC AND IS

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CONSIDERED RELIABLE. A VISUAL GROUND OBSN WITHOUT OPTICAL OR
ELECTRONIC EQUIP WAS MADE. THREE OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY
ALSO OBSERVED THE OBJECT CMA WHICH DISAPPEARED BY MOVING SLOWLY TO
THE NORTH AND OUT OF RANGE OF VISION AT 1715 28 AUG 52. NO OTHER ACFT
WAS NOTICED IN THE VICINITY AT TIME OF SIGHTING. WEATHER CLEAR AND
NO CLOUDS

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