

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>20 Aug 52</u>		2. LOCATION <u>Amarillo, Texas</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☒ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2045 CST</u> GMT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>military</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>2 sec,</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>3</u>		9. COURSE <u>S</u>	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <u>Pink color. Round.</u>				11. COMMENTS <u>3 pink objects in V formation - sun down. Objects apparently leveling south against winds. Have appearance of balloons and could possibly be carried with wind at higher altitude.</u>	

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	3. TIME Local: _____ Zebra: _____
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		
☐ Yes ☐ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		☐ No
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?		
☐ Yes ☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		☐ No
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?		
☐ Yes ☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		☐ No
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?		
☐ Yes ☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		☐ No
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		
☐ Yes ☐ Normal ☐ Violent		☐ No
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)		

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 ☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft		☐ No
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

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IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA?					☐ Yes ☒ No	
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE:					_____ 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:	

PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000	19	270	45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000	31		60,000		
8,000	30	270	65,000		
9,000	10	10	70,000		
10,000	15	10	75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			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: <u>CAVU</u>				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					

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WYB064

WMA100

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1. SHAPE ROUND, SIZE APPEARANTLY 4-5 IN DIAMETER, COLOR PALE RED TO PINK. NUMBER 3. FORMATION VERY SHALLOW CLOSE UP. FEATURES NONE. TOTAL

... FORMATION VERY SHALLOW CLOSE VEE, FEATURES NONE, IRIAL
NONE, PORPULSION SYSTEM UNKOWN, SPEED UNKOWN, SOUND UNHEARD,
MANUEVERS STEADY FORMATION STRAIGHT TRACK APPEARANTLY MERGING INTO
ONE OBJECT WHICH TURNED TOWARD 90 DEGREES AND DOWNWARD, DISAPPEARANCE
FADE OUT, OTHER FEATURES - NONE.

2. 2045 CST EXACT, APPROXIMATELY 2 SECONDS.

3. VISUAL FROM SURFACE, NO EQUPT.

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4. AMARILLO TEX, APPRX LAT 35 DEG 12' N, LONG 101 DEG 46' W. OBSERVER

FACING APPRX 210 DEG TRUE, OBJECT SIGHTED AT APPRX 260 DEG TRUE,
DISTANCE UNDERTIMED POSSIBLE 4-5 MILES, DIRECTION SOUTHERLY, DISAPPEARED
AT APPRX 180 DEG TRUE. ALTITUDE APPARENTLY 3000 FEET, 6500 MSL

5. OBSERVER CAPT, USAF, RATED SENIOR PILOT 2300 HRS, SIGHTING VERIFIED
BY WIFE OF OFFICER.

6. WEATHER CLEAR, VISUALIBILITY 15 MILES PLUS. TEMP 86 DEW POINT 54
SURFACE WINDS SOUTH 10 KNOTS, 2030 CST OBSERVATION. WINDS ALOFT 1500
CST OBSERVATION 4000 FEET 210 DEG 19 KNOTS, 5000 FEET 200 DEG 20 KNOTS,
6000 FEET 200 DEG 21 KNOTS, 7000 FEET 200 DEG 21 KNOTS, 8000 FEET
190 DEG 20 KNOTS, 9000 FEET 190 DEG 18 KNOTS, 10000 FEET 190 DEG 18
KNOTS.

7. ACTIVITY - NONE.

8. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE - NONE

9. INTERCEPTION ACTION - NONE

10 AIR TRAFFIC - UNREPORTED, C-47 TYPE ACFT HEADING 90 DEG APPRX 2000
FEET 2 MINS PRIOR TO SIGHTING.

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