

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 December 1954		2. LOCATION Spanish Morocco		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☒ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>02/1410 - 1509Z</u> GMT <u>02/0835Z - 0950Z</u>		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 Military		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 - 59 Minutes 2 - 1 hr - 16 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Slow go speed, high altitude. Movement with wind.				11. COMMENTS Possible balloon	

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316 DOI 12-493.

UFOB 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: A THRU I NEG. D 2. DESCRIPTION

OF COURSE OF OBJECT: A. LOW GND SPEED/HIGH ALT. B. 33 DEGREES

7 MIN/ 025 DEGREES. C. 2 DEGREES 11 SECONDS/010 DEGREES. D.

OBJECT DETECTED IS AT KAF555 (SPANISH MOR) (1410Z) MAKING LANDFALL

OVER SPANISH MOR COAST 5 MILES WEST OF

CUETA. MOVING APRX 215 DEGREES TRUE COURSE AT 31000 FT MSL,

90 KNOTS. OBJECT CLIMBED TO 58000 FT MSL IN 17 MIN.

DECREASING GND SPEED TO 60 KNOTS AT 58000 FT MSL AT 1425: AT

~~50000~~ FT MSL THE GND SPEED DECREASED TO 10 KNOT, TRUE COURSE CHANGED

TO 17 DEGREES AT KF 2835 AT 1433Z; AT 60000 FT MSL GND

SPEED INCREASED TO 20 KNOTS AT 1435Z AT KF 2934, OTHER FACTORS

REMAINED SAME AT 1438Z THE GND SPEED INCREASED TO 45 KNOTS AND

TRUE COURSE CHANGED TO 155 DEGREES, POSITION KF 3029 AT

1442Z THE OBJECT WAS OBSERVED AT 60000 FEET MSL AND THEN DESCENDED

RAPIDLY TO 38000 FT IN 2 MIN, GND SPEED 120 KNOTS. AT 1454Z CHANGED

COURSE TO 185 DEGREES TRUE COURSE, POSITION KF 2118. AT 1457Z,

THE OBJECT DESCENDED TO 22000 FT MSL AND REDUCED GND SPEED TO 45

KNOTS. AT 1507Z POSITION WAS KF 1507, OTHER FACTORS SAME. OBJECT

DESCENDED RAPIDLY TO 6000 FT AND FADED AT 1509Z. E. RADAR FADE.

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F. 59 MINS. 3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: A. GND ELECTRONIC (MPS-7

AND TPS-10D). B. NOT APPL. C. NOT APPL. 4. TIME AND DATE OF

SIGHTING: A. 021410Z TO 021509Z. B. DAY. 5. LOCATIONS OF OBSERVER;

KE 0237. 6. IDENTITY OF OBSERVER: A. GEORGE C DYER, 2ND LT, 735

ACW SQDN, SENIOR DIRECTOR, HIGHLY RELIABLE. B. STANLEY D HAMMEN,

2ND LT, 735 ACW SQDN, DIRECTOR, RELIABILITY UNKNOWN. 7. WEATHER

AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS: A. CAVU. B. WIND DIRECTION AND

VELOCITY FM SIDI SLIMANE: SURFACE, 045-4. 6000, 010-29. 10000,

020-34. 16000, 010-55. 20000, 010-83. 30000, NEG. 50000, NEG.

80000, NEG. C. NONE. D. 10 MILES. E. 2/5 AT 3000 FT. F. NONE.

8. OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY: NONE. 9. INTCP ACTION TAKEN: 2F86F

FTRS DIRECTED TO INTCP BUT NO JOY. 10. LOCATION OF OTHER TRAFFIC:

1R5D20 MILES NORTHWEST. 11. POSITION AND COMMENTS OF PREPARING

OFF: W WITH INTEL OFF; RESEARCH MADE FOR POSSIBLE WEA BALLOON

LAUNCHINGS WITH NEG RESULTS; UNABLE TO CONTACT GIBRALTAR.

OBJECT BEHAVED IN MANNER SIMILAR TO UFOB REPT 316 DOI 12-492.

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THE OBJECT FADED AT KE 1453, TRUE COURSE 195 DEGS. (THROUGH THE COURSE OF LATERAL MOVEMENT THE OBJECT SOME TIMES SEEMED TO MOVE SLIGHTLY EAST AND WEST OF A DIRECT TRUE COURSE OF 195 DEGS). E. RADAR FADE. F 1 HR AND 16 MINS. 3. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: A. GND ELECTRONIC (MPS-7 AND TPS-10D). B. NOT APPL. C. NEG. 4. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: A. 020835Z TO 020950Z. B. DAY. 5. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: KE 0237. 6. IDENTIFICATION OF OBSERVERS, A. GEORGE C DYER, 2ND LT, 735 ACE SQDN, SENIOR DIRECTOR, HIGHLY RELIABLE. B. [REDACTED], 2ND LT, 737 ACW SQDN, DIRECTOR, RELIABILITY UNK. 7. WEA AND WINDS ALOFT: A. CAVU. B. WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY AT SIDI SLIMANE AB. SURFACE, 180-6. 6000 FT, 330-25. 10000 FT, 360-40. 16000 FT, 010-55. 20000 FT, 020-65. 30000 FT, 350-65. 50000 FT, NEG. 80000 FT, NEG. C. NONE. D. 10 MILES. E. 2/10. F. NONE. 8. UNUSUAL CONDITIONS: NONE. 9. INTCP ACT TAKEN: 2F86F ACFT SCRAMBLED AND VECTORED TO INTCP; NO JOY. 10. OTHER TRAFFIC: 1 ACFT 2 MILES NORTH; 1 ACFT 40 MILES NORTH. 11. TITLE AND COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFF: DIV INTEL OFF; INVESTIGATION INCLUDED RESEARCH OF ACFT MOVEMENTS WITH CASABLANCA ATC AND POSSIBLE LAUNCHING OF METEOROLOGICAL BALLONS IN AREA RESULTING IN NEG INFO, NO INFO AVAL FROM GIBRALTAR OR TANGIER. ESTIMATE THE POSSIBILITY OF WEA BALLOON FM GIBRALTAR. 12. NOT APPL

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: A THRU I NEG. 2. DESCRIPTION OF
COURSE OF OBJECT: A. SLOW GND SPEED AND HIGH ALT.
B. 40 DEG 58 SECOND / 015 DEGREES TRUE. C. 2 DEG 17 MIN / 015 DEG TRUE.
D. DETECTED AT KF 3550 (SPANISH MOR)
APRX 20 NM SSW OF GIBRALTAR, 19 NM ENE OF TANGIER AND
8-1/2 NM SW OF CEUTA, ALT 34000 FT MSL, GND SPEED, 130 KNOTS,
MOVING ON A TRUE COURSE OF 195 DEG AT 0834Z. 4 MIN LATER THE OBJECT
WAS NOTED AT 39000 FT MSL AND CONT CLIMBING AT 14000 FT PER MIN AT
47000 FT MSL WITH A GND SPEED OF 90 KNOTS, AT WHICH TIME THE OBJECT
ACCELERATED RATE OF CLIMB TO 3000 FT PER MIN TO 56000 FT MSL AT
0902Z. THE OBJECT PASSED OUT OF RADAR SURVEILLANCE AT 56000 FT,
7 MILES WEST OF TETUAN AND WAS AGAIN DETECTED DESCENDING AT 0914Z,
10 MILES SOUTH OF PT LAST OBSERVED AT 40000 FT, GND SPEED 90
KNOTS. THE OBJECT CONT TO DESCEND AT 800 TO 1000 FT PER MIN AT
90 KNOTS UNTIL REACHING 20000 FT, THE TRUE COURSE REMAINING 195
DEGS. AT 20000 FT THE GND SPEED INCREASED TO 120 KNOTS AND AT
17000 FT THE GND SPEED CHANGED TO 20 KNOTS WHICH IT HELD FOR
12 MIN WHILE DESCENDING TO 4000 FT, TRUE COURSE REMAINING 195
DEGS. AT 4000 FT THE GND SPEED AGAIN DECELERATED TO 20 KNOTS AND