

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 April 1957		2. LOCATION Washington, D.C.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 07/0047Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civ		☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION four to five sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two		9. COURSE S turn E turn North.	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Two objects circular, 1/3 size of dime, color dull pink, objects in trail sound a boom like distant thunder after objects went out of sight.				11. COMMENTS Objects present appearing like meteors. Total sighting 4-5 seconds consistent with this analysis. Appearance of going away from observer then toward observer was optical illusion. Meteor entered fm below plane of ecliptic and was overtaking.	

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT

Unidentified Flying Object Report

AREA REPORTED ON

Washington, D. C.

FROM (Agency)

Director of Plans and Programming,
Headquarters Command, USAF, Bolling AFB

DATE OF REPORT

8 April 1957

DATE OF INFORMATION

6 April 1957

EVALUATION

Unevaluated

PREPARED BY (Officer)

Major James E. Geurtz

SOURCE

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

None

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.)

The following information is reported in accordance with AFR 200-2, Unidentified Flying Objects Report, dated 12 August 1954:

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1. Description of the object:
 - a. Circular.
 - b. 1/3 of a dime.
 - c. dull pink.
 - d. Two.
 - e. In trail.
 - f. Negative.
 - g. Negative.
 - h. Boom like distant thunder after objects went out of sight.
 - i. Negative.

2. Description of course of object:
 - a. While standing in this back yard, observer looked over the roof top of a house in back of his and noted two objects he first thought were small rockets. First seen through thin clouds.
 - b. Objects were about 45 degrees above the horizon moving in a Southerly direction.
 - c. Objects were about 45 degrees above the horizon moving in a Northerly direction when they disappeared.
 - d. Objects were moving in a Southerly direction upon sighting, made a turn to the East and then turned to a Northerly heading. Observer estimated speed at 15 times that of a jet aircraft.
 - e. Went out of sight.
 - f. Four to five seconds.

3. Manner of observation:
 - a. Ground-visual.
 - b. None.
 - c. N/A.

4. Time and date of sighting:
 - a. 0047Z 7 April 1957.
 - b. Night.

5. Location of observer:
 - a. 4121 8th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

6. Identifying information of observer:
 - a. Mr. [REDACTED], age 39, [REDACTED], N. W., Washington, D. C., Electronics Installations and Repairman, Bolling Air Force Base.

7. Weather and winds--aloft, conditions at time and place of sighting:
 - a. Sky conditions were broken to scattered clouds at 6500 feet, visibility 15 miles, temperature 48°F, Dew Point 29°F.
 - b. Wind direction and velocity

Surface	270/15K	50000	None
6000	270/35K	80000	None
10000	280/46K		
16000	290/52K		
20000	290/52K		
30000	270/70K		

NOTE: 47,000 - 260/109K

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c. Ceiling - Measured 6500 broken.

d. Visibility - 15 miles.

e. Amount of cloud cover - 4/10 to 9/10.

f. Thunderstorms in area - none.

8. None.

9. Negative.

10. Negative.

11. Position title and comments of the preparing officer:

a. Director, Plans and Programming.

b. The description of this incident indicates that an intercept by jet aircraft occurred. If the objects' speed were that estimated by the observer, it would have been approximately 9000 mph and it would be difficult to follow such movements even for the time period estimated. The thunder-like boom further indicates that the sonic barrier was penetrated and was most likely caused by jet interceptors. Mr. [REDACTED] apparently is not seeking any personal notoriety. The reliability of this report is unknown.

12. Negative.

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