

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 October 1957		2. LOCATION S of Bismark, North Dakota		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 1815 GMT 26/0015Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian - GOC			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE South	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A pencil shaped object the size of a basketball, red, was sighted moving fast and climbing slowly.				11. COMMENTS The Bismark AWS launched a balloon at 0000Z, which was, no doubt, the object sighted.	

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RE073

WPE067 YDD079 XYD087 XDF069GUA025

PP RJWPGU RJEDDN RJEDWP RJEPHQ

DE RJWPGU 1H

P 260500Z

FM COMDR 786 ACWRON MINOT AFS NDAK

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJWPGU/COMDR 29 ADIV DEF MAFB MONT

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR INTEL CEN WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASH 25 D C

BT

1 } 4E4
2 }
3 }
44X20
(ONE)

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT

1. A PENCIL SHAPED
B BASKETBALL, AT LEAST
C FLAME RED, TURNING TO BLACK
D 1.
E N/A
F NONE
G FLAME FROM ONE END, AS IN A GAS FLARE.
H NONE

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I HAD TURNED BLACK WHEN LAST SIGHTED

2. A RED COLOR
B AZIMUTH NOT REPORTED; SOUTH OF OBSERVER
C SAME AS ABOVE
D SOUTHERLY HEADING, MOVING FAST, CLIMBING SLOWLY.
E TURNED BLACK AND DISAPPEARED.
F 20 MINUTES
3. A GROUND VISUAL
B NONE
C N/A *0015-6 = 1815 local*
4. A 0015Z 26 OCT 57
B DUSK
5. GEOREF: FK EB 1234
6. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
FT. RICE, NORTH DAKOTA [REDACTED] SERVICE

AGE-33

7. A SCATTERED CLOUDS ABOUT 1000-1500 FEET. WIND NNW 8 KNOTS,
TEMP. 17 DEGREES F.

B SURFACE-NW 8K. 30,000--020/45

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6000---020/16 } 50,000--030/45
10,000-020/31 } 80,000--NEGATIVE
16,000-020/20 }
20,000-020/20 }

C NONE .

D 15 MILES

E 2/10

F NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

10. NONE

11. 1/LT., DIRECTOR ON DUTY AT TIME OF REPORT. THIS OBJECT SIGHTED BY
TWO PEOPLE, THE LADY BEING ON DUTY AS A GOC OBSERVER. THEY ESTIMATED
THE OBJECT TO BE 14 FEET THICK AND 1/4 MILE LONG. BISMARCK AWS
LAUNCHED A WEATHER BALLOON (STANDARD SIZE) AT APPROXIMATELY 0000Z,
WHICH MIGHT CONCEIVABLY ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING.

12. NONE.

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