

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 December 1957		2. LOCATION Georgetown, South Carolina		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 03/1157Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE ENE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bullet shaped object, approx diameter of pencil lead & about 3/8 inch long. Fiery yellow. Slight break in trail behind object. Tail appeared ten to twelve times longer than object. Multi-colored orange, green, purple, reddish pink. Faded out of sight.				11. COMMENTS Duration too short for rocket fired during naval operations in area. Probably meteor sighting.	

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See Chart 410

3 Dec

Notified Capt. ~~Amold~~ 15
Schmidt
0758Z

Witness

Poss Rocket

(Other) 4 DEC 57

LAC 4 07 52 '57

SQC274 YDA264 VYA264 VMC016GNA021

PP RJEDDN RJEDSO RJEPHQ RJEPJM RJEPLG RJESDD

DE RJESGN 12

P 040150Z

FM COMDR 354TH FITDAYWG MYRTLE BEACH AFB SC

TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC

RJEPJM/COMDR 85TH ADIV ADC

RJEDDN/COMDR ATIC

RJEPHQ/HQ USAF

INFO RJESDD/HQ NINTH AF

RJEPLG/HQ TAC

BT

4-4E4

2-4A2

3-4F1

4-4X2a

5-4X

(71E)

note

UNCLAS FROM WDOI 12-30 ATTN: DIR OF INTELLIGENCE PD SUB CLN UFOB PD
FOLG MSG IAW FORMAT PARA 7 D CMM AFR 200-2 PD PAREN 1 PAREN PAREN A
PAREN BULLET SHAPED SEMI CLN PAREN B PAREN OBJECT APPEARED APPROX
DIAMETER OF PENCIL LEAD AND ABOUT THREE EIGHTS INCH LONG SEMI CLN
PAREN C PAREN FIERY YELLOW SEMI CLN PAREN D PAREN ONE SEMI CLN PAREN
E PAREN N/A SEMI CLN PAREN F PAREN NEGATIVE SEMI CLN PAREN G PAREN
SLIGHT BREAK IMMEDIATELY BEHIND OBJECT SEMI CLN TAIL APPEARED TEN
TO TWELVE TIMES LONGER THAN OBJECT SEMI CLN MULTI-COLORED CMM CON-
TAINING ORANGE CMM GREEN CMM PURPLE AND REDDISH PINK SEMI CLN PAREN
H PAREN NEGATIVE SEMI CLN PAREN 1 PAREN NEGATIVE. PAREN 2 PAREN

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PAREN A PAREN OBSERVER WATCHING HORIZON WHILE DUCK HUNTING SEMI CLN
PAREN B PAREN ANGLE 15-20 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON CMM APPROXIMATELY
ALMOST DUE NORTH SEVEN DEGREES TRUE SEMI CLN PAREN C PAREN TWENTY DEGREES MAXIMUM CMM
ABOUT 66 DEGREES TRUE SEMI CLN PAREN D PAREN SMOOTH ARC SEEMING TO
FOLLOW CURVATURE OF EARTH SEMI CLN PAREN E PAREN FADED OUT OF SIGHT
AS DUE TO DISTANCE SEMI CLN PAREN F PAREN ABOUT EIGHT SECONDS PAREN
3 PAREN PAREN A PAREN GROUND - VISUAL SEMI CLN PAREN B PAREN NONE
SEMI CLN PAREN C PAREN N/A SEMI CLN PAREN 4 PAREN PAREN A PAREN
1157-5 = 0657
031157Z SEMI CLN PAREN B PAREN DAY PAREN 5 PAREN 0791620W / 332230N.
PAREN 6 PAREN CIVILIAN SEMI CLN [REDACTED]
GEORGETOWN CMM SOUTH CAROLINA SEMI CLN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AT INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY.
PAREN 7 PAREN PAREN A PAREN WEATHER CLEAR CMM NO HAZE CMM SUN LOW ON
HORIZON CMM UNCLOUDED SEMI CLN PAREN E PAREN AWS REPORTS WEATHER 1200Z
[REDACTED] AT 05 000 SEMI CLN SURFACE WINDS 270 DEGREES CMM

FOUR KNOTS SEMI CLN 6,000 CMM 250 DEGREES CMM 20 KNOTS SEMI CLN 10,000
CMM 250 DEGREES CMM 20 KNOTS SEMI CLN 16,000 250 DEGREES CMM 35 KNOTS
SEMI CLN 22,000 CMM 270 DEGREES CMM 35 KNOTS SEMI CLN 30,000 CMM 230
DEGREES CMM 85 KNOTS SEMI CLN 50,000 CMM 280 DEGREES CMM 40 KNOTS
SEMI CLN PAREN C PAREN UNLIMITED PAREN D PAREN UNLIMITED SEMI CLN

*It is possible the observers orientation was
turned around and was looking S instead of
N. ~~There~~ There were Naval Operations in progress
in warning area (W-177) which extends N and S of
observers in the Atlantic Ocean.
The object was possibly a rocket fired
during these operations.*

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PAREN E PAREN NONE SEMI CLN PAREN F PAREN NONE. PAREN 8 PAREN NONE.

PAREN 9 PAREN NONE. PAREN 10 PAREN OBSERVER SAW TWO AIRCRAFT CONTRAILS
COM APPROXIMATELY 145 DEGREES CMM HEADING SOUTH. AIRCRAFT TOO DISTANT
FOR IDENTIFICATION. PAREN 11 PAREN INVESTIGATION AND REPORT MADE BY

WING INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. SIGHTING POSSIBLY METEOR CMM ALTHOUGH U.S.

NAVY OPERATION IN PROGRESS IN VICINITY OF WARNING AREA W-177 DOES NOT

PRECLUDE POSSIBILITY OF ROCKET FIRING. THE OBSERVER IS APPARENTLY A

MATURE INDIVIDUAL CMM LEVEL HEADED CMM AND POSSESSING GOOD JUDGEMENT.

NO CONFIRMATION OBTAINED FROM ANY OTHER SOURCES. LOCAL AC AND W SITE

OFF-DUTY AT TIME OF SIGHTI G. PAREN 12 PAREN NEGATIVE. PAREN NOTE CLN

PERTINENT INFO TELEPHONED TO OPERATION PIG IRON PROJECT OFFICER CMM

ATIC. CMM WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB. THEY ADVISED NO FURTHER REPORT DESIRED.

PAREN

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