

UFOB INDEX CARD AISS-UFOB-797-57

1. DATE <i>12 Dec 57</i> 10 Jan 58		2. LOCATION Lake City, Tenn		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 12/0007Z Dec 57		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION /// ☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Forty-one minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One		9. COURSE Descending	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object, painted on radar, seen gradually descending for 41 minutes.				11. COMMENTS Concur with Reporting Officer that this was probably a balloon.	

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Wayne, Mich

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1 Witness

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BALLOON

1 } 4E4
2 }
3 4X2a
CWB

RF045

RR RJEDSQ

DE RJEDSQ 6C

R 120347Z

FM COMDR 2046TH AACSRON WPAFB

TO RJEDDN/COMDR ADC

RJEDFL/COMDR 58TH ADIV

RJEDSQ/COMDR ATIC

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF

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UNCLAS 2046FS-11-M-63. UFOB. /1/ /A/ ROUND /B/ 100 WATT ← size?
LIGHT BULB /C/ WHITE /D/ NEGATIVE. /E/ ONE /F/ BALL OF FIRE
/G/ NEGATIVE /H/ NEGATIVE /I/ NEGATIVE /2/ /A/ BRIGHT LIGHT /B/
AZIMUTH-elevation
NEGATIVE /C/ NEGATIVE /D/ MOVING SLOWLY NW TO SE /E/ SLOW /F/
3 MINUTES /3/ /A/ GROUND-VISUAL /B/ N/A /C/ N/A /4/ /A/ 120054Z 0054-5=1954
/B/ NIGHT /5/ EUREKE RD AND TELEGRAPH RD 3 MILES EAST OF WAYNE
MAJOR AIRPORT AND 2 MILES SOUTH ON TELEGRAPH RD /6/ [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MICHIGAN PHONE [REDACTED] /B/ N/A /7/
/A/ CLEAR /B/ WNW 12 KNOTS 2000 FT ^{NNW} 340 DEGREES 25 KNOTS /C/ 12000
SCATTERED HIGH OVERCASTS /D/ 25 MILES /E/ 3/10 /F/ N/A /8/ NEGATIVE
/9/ NEGATIVE /10/ NIGHT JET TRAFFIC /11/ OPERATIONS OFFICER /12/
NEGATIVE.

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The description and movement of the object, coupled with the wind directions suggests the object was a lighted weather balloon launched from a nearby arpt. Balloons are launched just prior to time of sighting.