

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27-28 Feb 1 Mar 58		2. LOCATION Novorossisk, U.S.S.R.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 2100		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION unknown		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE South	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING UFO airborne over mountains flew very high speed in Southerly direction. Three red lights seen at far end of trajectory. Procedure repeated five or six times at 15 min intervals. Also observed on succeeding nights.				11. COMMENTS Fm the limited info given, the characteristics, maneuvers, and a description of the incident, indicate that it is an a/c performing short range rocket firing probably in a practice firing or gunnery area.	

Miami 27/2100 Local *464 Gregory*

COUNTRY OF ACTIVITY REPORTING TURKEY	REPORT NO. IR-548-58	UNCLASSIFIED	
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS NOVOROSSISK (4443N-3747E), U.S.S.R.	DATE OF INFORMATION 27 Feb 1958	SRI STATUS (If applicable)	
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT Air Attache, Turkey	DATE OF COLLECTION 29 Apr 1958	SRI NO.	CANCELED/COMPLETE
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL JOSEPH A. BURT, Lt Colonel, USAF	DATE OF REPORT 30 Apr 1958	SRI NO.	CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Official Turkish Service From a Merchant Marine	EVALUATION F-3	SRI NO.	ACTIVE
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)			

REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

BAIR 460T; IR-627-57, AirA Msg. C-108
SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

(CONFIDENTIAL) UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

1. The following information was obtained from CAS Istanbul Report #1213, dated 16 April 1958. CAS listed the source as "Official Turkish service from a Merchant Marine."

a. At 2100 hours on 27 February 1958, sparks and fire were seen at a point in the mountains west of NOVOROSSISK (4443N-3147E). An unidentified flying object became air-borne in this region and flew at a very high speed on a low trajectory in a southerly direction 7,000-8,000 meters. Three red lights were seen at the far end of the trajectory. This procedure was repeated five or six times at 15 minute intervals. At 1000 hours on 28 February, a white smoke trail, which began in the same area as the previous night's firings or launchings, formed a low trajectory similar to those seen previously. This activity continued intermittently until 1 March. At no time was any noise heard nor was the object itself observed in flight.

2. COMMENTS of Preparing Officer: This is the second time (see IR-627-57) an unidentified flying object has been reported in the NOVORDSSISK area.

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APPROVED:

Classification Cancelled

Auth *Director JPP*
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DCI 3 MAY 1969

AFR 205-4, Par 2-17a

3 Jan 68 ATIC Comment: This is more appropriately an "UNKNOWN aircraft" rather than a UFO report (see par 2b, AFR 205-4).

① The characteristics, including and numerous reports are those of aircraft.

② The characteristics of the aircraft are more appropriate for a "UFO" report.

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REFERENCE IF THE DATE-TIME GROUP IS QUOTED

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NOFORN. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY IR-548-58; SOURCE CAS ISTANBUL
LEFT NUMBER 1213 DTD 16 APRIL 58: AT 2100 HOURS 27 FEB 58, SPARKS
AND FIRE SEEN AT POINT IN MOUNTAINS WEST NOVOROSSISK.
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT AIR BORNE THIS REGION FLEW VERY
HIGH SPEED LOW TRAJECTORY IN SOUTHERLY DIRECTION FOR 7,000-8,000
METERS. THREE RED LIGHTS SEEN AT FAR END TRAJECTORY. PROCEDURE

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REPEATED 5 OR 6 TIMES 15 MINUTES INTERVALS. 1,000 HOURS 28 FEB
WHILE SMOKE TRAIL, WHICH BEGAN SAME AREA AS PREVIOUS NIGHT FIRINGS
OR LAUNCHINGS, FORMED LOW TRAJECTORY SIMILAR THOSE SEEN PREVIOUSLY.
ACTIVITY CONTINUED INTERMITTENTLY UNTIL 1 MARCH. AT NO TIME WAS
ANY NOISE HEARD NOR OBJECT ITSELF OBSERVED IN FLIGHT.
FIELD COMMENT: THIS SECOND TIME (SEE IR-627-57) UNIDENTIFIED
FLYING OBJECT REPORTED NOVOROSSISK AREA. UNQUOTE
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Classification Cancelled

Auth. *[Signature]*
By *[Signature]*
Date 19 MAY 1969

AFR 2057, Pa 2-17c
3 Jan 68

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DO NOT EXCEED 10

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Note: Date
of Incident
Date of Receipt
+ 11/58
13 May 58

Summary to
IR-548-58
Target

6 THER
Probably short range
rocket firing operations

Memorandum for File - UFO Sighting, Foreign
Subject: UFO Incident, Novorossiysk, USSR

1. Conference held between Major Rypps, Guided Missiles Division and undersigned officer on Wednesday morning, 14 May 1958.
2. Purpose: To discuss incident with view to concluding nature of object, based on that officer's knowledge of USSR rocket and missile activities and locations.
3. Conclusions: Maj Rypps concurred with the undersigned's hypothesis that, from the limited information given, the characteristics, maneuvers, and description of the incident, indicate that it was probably short-range rocket firing operations.
4. Pending receipt of further, or confirming information, will place under that category.

Confirmation re actual
landings re AT HSG C-108-X
attached