

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 Jul 58		2. LOCATION 8 Mi N of Columbia, S.C.		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 2015 hrs GMT 03/0115Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-8 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE E to W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, white obj w/appearance of meteor Had straight flight path & light flickered 3 or 4 times. Obj faded out.				11. COMMENTS Probably meteor.	

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Witness

Headquarters
363D TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE WING
United States Air Force
Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina

WAOI

8 JUL 1958

SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

1. Attached report of unidentified flying object is forwarded for your information.

2. Further investigation from this unit reveals the following pertinent information:

a. Weather in area at time of sighting:

3500' - scattered clouds

7500' - scattered clouds

High broken clouds

Visibility 10 to 15 miles

Winds: East to SE at 10 knots, with thunderstorm activity to the SE of sighting.

b. Six (6) RB-66 jet aircraft from 363d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Shaw AFB flying in area of sighting at approximate time of sighting.

3. Due to lack of more detailed information pertaining to the sighting of unidentified flying object and related activities (i.e. weather report and flying operations) no further action from this organization is anticipated.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl:
Ltr, Hq Fort Jackson
dtd 3 July 1958

Joseph A. Horne Jr.
JOSEPH A. HORNE JR.
Captain, USAF
Administrative Officer

See Evaluation ~
Ind 2.
① Prob. meteorite
② Check with
McMurray Obs.
Wetrop. Ohio
no is meteor
Shower
10/10/58

3. b. Statement as to optical aids (telescope, binoculars, and so forth) used and description thereof:
N/A

c. If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station:
N/A

4. Time of sighting:

a. Hour and date of sighting: **2015 hours, 2 July 1958**

b. Light conditions (use one of the following terms): Night, day, dawn, dusk: **Night**

5. Location of observer(s). Exact latitude and longitude of each observer, or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark:

Approximately 8 miles north of Columbia, on Route 555

6. Identifying information on all observer(s):

a. Civilian:

NAME	AGE	MAILING ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
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b. Military:

NAME	GRADE	ORGANIZATION	DUTY	ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY
[REDACTED]		Hq Co, USATC Fort Jackson, S.C.	G2 Section	Good

7. Any other unusual activity or condition meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting:

Meteorite Showers

8. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting:
None

9. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting(s) (If report received from other Air Force activity, including ACW squadron, enter information pertaining to reporting individual.):

REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. A brief description of the object(s):

a. Shape

Round

b. Size (Compare with known objects):

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c. Color:

White

d. Number:

One

e. Formation (if more than one):

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f. Any discernible features or details:

None

g. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s):

None

h. Sound (If heard, describe sound):

None

i. Other pertinent or unusual features:

2. Description of course of object(s):

a. What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s):

Appearance of a Meteor

b. Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object(s) when first observed:

Angle of Elevation approximately 50°; Azimuth 15°

c. Angle of elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance:

Angle of Elevation approximately 5°; Azimuth 350°

d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s):

Straight - Light flickered 3 or 4 times

e. Manner of disappearance of object(s):

Faded out

f. Length of time in sight:

5 to 8 seconds

Typical meteor duration

3. Manner of observation:

a. Use one or any combination of the following items: (Ground-Visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. If electronic, specify type of radar):

Ground, visual

Incl 1

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1 Nov 57

① Everything has suggests a true meteorite
② Check with M.C. Miller
Observing shows they observed a meteorite at the time of the event

10. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs:

None

11. Name, rank, and title of person receiving report, and comments
and actions:

**WALTER W. SANDERS, Major, GS, AC of S, G2, Fort Jackson, S.C.
1 cy forwarded to Shaw Air Force Base.**

12. Air Force Installation notified:

Shaw Air Force Base
