

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 August 1958		2. LOCATION Salamanca, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Chaff</u>	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 02/2300Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not rptd		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS thousands		9. COURSE falling	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Sample of foil sent for analysis. Thousands observed falling over area about several hundred feet wide. Glittered while in air. Pieces looked as though they were subjected to heat. Additional witnesses insist that they feel a tingle when they touch the objects.				11. COMMENTS Spectrographic analysis showed objs to be Radar chaff similar to 2S A1 as specific under AMS 4001-b sheet stock.	

SUBJECT:

Salamanca, N.Y.
August 3, 1958Commanding Officer
Wright Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Yesterday at approximately 600pm, I noticed thousands of silver colored objects of various sizes falling around my tower while working. I assumed they were foil dropped by an air force plane for fouling radar, although I did not see nor hear any plane. I could see these objects glittering in the sunlight for several hundred feet in the air.

Upon searching I found several pieces, of which I am enclosing this sample of metal, which looks as if it were through an explosion or some terrific heat.

Of course this has evoked much and conjecture, everything from a jet bomber explosion to a falling sputnik, and several of the men insist they feel a tingle in their hand where they touched this.

For what it may be worth for evaluation and testing, this is just on small piece, there must be thousands more around if you are interested.

Yours very truly,


Bradford, Pa.

MEMO ROUTING SLIP		NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS	
1 NAME OR TITLE Major Tacker	INITIALS		CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION SAFIG-3	DATE		COORDINATION
2			FILE
			INFORMATION
3			NECESSARY
			NOTE AND RETURN
4			SEE ME
			SIGNATURE
REMARKS 1. UFO from general public. 2. The description of the object is definitely characteristic of radar chaff. SAC has practice exercises quite often and several times the public has sent in samples as UFOs. 3. The analysis is attached for your information only.			
FROM NAME OR TITLE T/Sgt James O. Bolieu		DATE 19 Aug 58	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION AFCIN-4E4		TELEPHONE 6-9216	

DD FORM 95
1 FEB 50

Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

☆ GPO : 1958-O-403481

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

(U) UFO Report

TO AFCIN-4E2c

FROM AFCIN-4E4

DATE 8 Aug 1958

COMMENT NO. 1

AFCIN-4E4/ Sgt. Bolieu/ac
Ext 6-9216/Blag 828

1. In accordance with existing policies, the attached UFO Report and metal specimen is forwarded for your analysis and comments.

1 Incl:
Ltr dtd 3 Aug 58
w/metal specimen

Henry A. Miley
HENRY A. MILEY
AFCIN-4E4

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AFCIN-4E2

15 Aug 58

COMMENT #2

AFCIN-4E2c/CANauble/gdh
50193/Bg 828/Rm 150/Area A

1. The metal sample furnished, along with the above report, has been analyzed spectographically and shows the following composition:

Al	Si	Cu	Fe	Mn	Mg	Ti
.1	.1	.05	.2	.1	.01	.01

2. This composition corresponds very closely to 2S Al as specified under AMS 4001-B for sheet stock. Because of the ductility exhibited by the specimen (bending back and forth with fingers is possible), it is concluded that the sample is sheet stock and not cast; hence, photomicrographs were not made. The sample in question could well be radar foil which has been burned.

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HOMER E. MARTIN
Acting Chief
AFCIN-4E2

DD FORM 96

1 FEB 50

REPLACES NME FORM 96, 1 OCT 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

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6:00 pm

2 Aug

17 September 1958

Dear [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge your letter of 3 August 1958 concerning an unidentified flying object which fell from the sky on 2 August at Salamanca, New York.

A spectographic analysis of the material furnished with your letter shows the objects to be radar chaff.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Executive Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information Services

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Bradford, Pennsylvania

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