

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 August 1958		2. LOCATION Park Ridge, Illinois		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 Local 9:58 PM GMT 27/0858Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Binoculars ☐ Air-Intercept Radar ☐ Air-Visual			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION less than 3 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE East	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj cigar-shaped in front, while the rear looked like a jet stream. No sound. Colors red, white & orange, 1/2 times brighter than moon. Obj disappeared in the East.				11. COMMENTS A/C sighting possible.	

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9:58 to 10:05 26 Aug

OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES
56TH FIGHTER GROUP (AIR DEFENSE)
United States Air Force
O'Hare International Airport
Park Ridge, Illinois

5 September 1958

SUBJECT: UFOB

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

1. The enclosed was sent to this office and is forwarded as a matter pertaining to your command.

Robert F. Dietz

ROBERT F. DIETZ
Captain, USAF
Info Svs Officer

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Tinley Park, Illinois
August 29, 1958

Captain Robert Dietz
Information Officer
O'Hare Air Force Base
Box 9351
Park Ridge, Illinois

Dear Captain Dietz:

This letter contains a description of a phenomenon which my wife and I watched on the evening of August 26, 1958, between the hours of 9:58 P.M. and 10:05 P.M. The weather was clear, visibility unlimited and a full moon was out.

observer ran inside and must have consumed approx. 2 minutes here and then had to look for the object again w/ binoculars.

Standing outside, I notice a strange light in the sky at approximately 45° (see Figure 2) to the west. Thinking it was a man-made moon, I ran inside to get my binoculars, and at the same time I told my wife to come out and see it. When I did focus my binoculars on the UFO, it was passing in front of the moon. (This is when I judged the size. See Figure 1.) The forward section was cigar-shaped, while the rear looked like a jet stream. At no time did either one of us hear any noise from the UFO. My wife picked out the colors to be red, white, and orange. The total brightness in proportion to the moon was about $\frac{1}{2}$ times as bright. At approximately 60° to the east the UFO disappeared. The total time of travel across the sky was approximately 3 minutes minus. The location where this UFO was sighted was at my home at 17365 So. Oconto, Tinley Park, Illinois.

I work as an engineer for the Chicago Midway Laboratories of The University of Chicago.

Very truly yours
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The object was apparently in observer's vicinity for 5 or 6 minutes counting the time observed and time to obtain the binoculars. There are several large airports in observer's locality, both military and civil. The observer probably saw a jet w/ afterburner turned on.

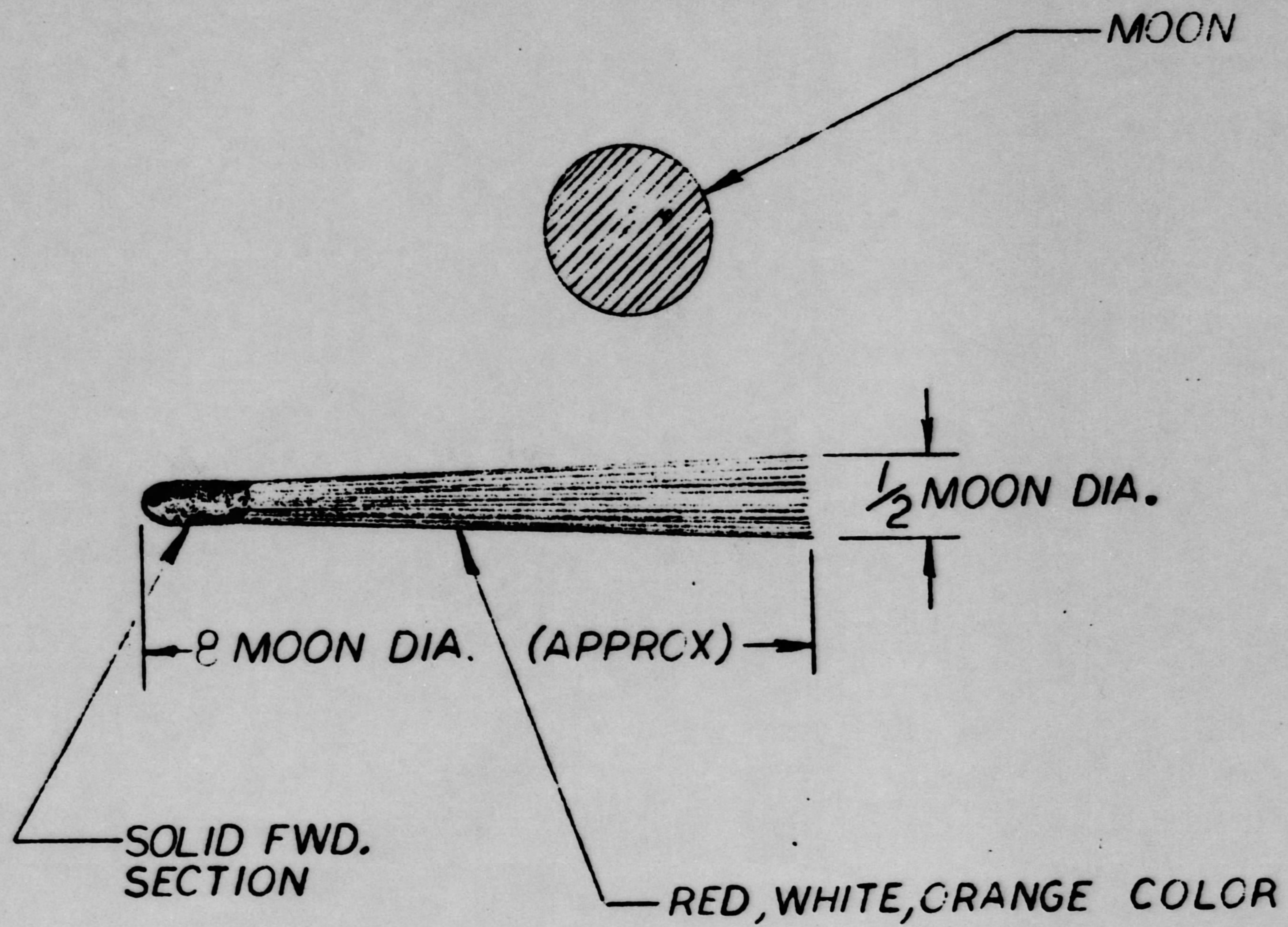


FIG. 1