

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10 Jan 59		2. LOCATION Plymouth, North Carolina		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 1810 GMT 10/2310Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Civilian on "Moonwatch"			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not given		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one exploding		9. COURSE - - -	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Observer on "Moonwatch" duty observed an obj exploding. It approached as a white ball from NE going SW. As it neared the observer it burst into many colors and particles started falling away. Flat trajectory. Low alt.				11. COMMENTS Although duration omitted obj of the sighting and general description indicate conform to a "bolide" type meteor. Additional information requested however no reply was received. The limited information available is considered sufficient to evaluate the case as a meteor sighting.	

APPROX 010 (3) APPROX 10, APPROX 010 (4) FALLING STRAIGHT DOWNWARD

(5) FELL STRAIGHT DOWNWARD UNTIL IT DISAPPEARED BELOW THE TREE LINE

(6) APPROX 1 MINUTE C (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) N/A (3) N/A D (1)

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102303Z JAN 59 (2) DUSK (3) 35 16 N/79 36W, ON N.C. HIGHWAY 211

MIDWAY BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF WEST END AND EAGLE SPRINGS F (1)

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~~REDACTED~~ 38, ~~REDACTED~~, ABERDEEN NC, TRUCK DRIVER, F-6

(2) N/A G (1) CLEAR (2) SURFACE: ^{NNW} 330/08, 6,000: ^{NNW} 330/30, 10,000:

^{NNW} 330/45, 16,000 ^{NW} 310/50, 20,000: ^{NW} 310/50, 30,000: ^{NNW} 290/65, 50,000: ^W 270/

55, 80,000 N/A (3) UNLIMITED (4) SEVEN (7) MILES (5) NONE (6) NONE

H NONE I NONE J NONE K RICHARD J. MC GLYNN, CAPT, WG INTEL ✓

OFFICER, IT APPEARED THAT AN UNUSUAL PHENOMENON OCCURRED 1. NONE

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12/2226Z JAN RJESDF

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13 JAN 59 00 08

12 JAN 59

Ries

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TELEPHONED
TO CAPT. PORT
NO. 71222
TIME 2356Z
Date 12 JAN 59
By: *Ries*

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FM COMDR 464TH TRPCARWGA

TO RJWFAL/COMDR ADC

RJEZFF/COMDR 85 AIR DIV

RJEDSQ/COMDR ATIC WPAFB

RJEZHQ/D/I HQ USAF

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RJWFAL/COMDR 1006 AISS

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UNCL FROM WDO-INT 1-226. ATTN: TIND LAFB: SUBJ: UFOB. A (1) ROUND

(2) APPROX 36 INCHES IN DIAMETER (3) GLOWING AS SOMETHING WHITE HOT

(4) ONE (5) N/A (6) NONE (7) SHOOTING YELLOW SPARKS FROM TAIL AT
INTERMITTENT TIMES, ABOUT SAME SIZE AS OBJECT (8) NONE (9) NONE

B (1) SAW OBJECT OUT OF CORNER OF EYE AS WAS DRIVING (2) APPROX 45,

1) 4E4
3)
4-4X202

(267)
NORTH CAROLINA [REDACTED] COMPANY
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for analysis & eval.

PLYMOUTH, N. C.

1-14-1959

U. S. Air Force

operation "Moon Watch"

Washington D.C.

While on "Moon Watch" at Plymouth N.C. 1-10-59
at 6:10 PM or near that I saw a white ball coming

out of the North by East heading south by west.

When the ball was "a beam" of my location
it burst into flame across the sky in many

colors and hot particles began falling away.

This same time some boys from Fort Jackson
coming to Washington N.C. were on 301 Highway at
the South Carolina - North Carolina line saw an
object coming at them and burst into flame
in front of their car. In their fright they ran
off the Highway but recovered and did not stop
to investigate. It may have been high but looked

like coming at them.
The object was at so flat a trajectory that it
was hard to say it was a meteorite and the burning
was of so many colors. One might think someone
was practicing missile shots knowing they will burn up
when entering the atmosphere.

Yours truly
[REDACTED]

Plymouth N.C.

10 JAN 59

2 February 1959

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Your letter of 14 January 1959 concerning unidentified flying object sighting at Plymouth, North Carolina, contained insufficient information to allow a valid conclusion.

In this regard, will you please complete the inclosed questionnaire and forward it direct to the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Based upon the additional information you will be advised of their conclusions.

Sincerely,

Incl

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Plymouth, North Carolina

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