

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 Feb 59		2. LOCATION 8-10 Mi N of Pageland and Shaw AFB, S.C. <i>Chapelton, W. Va.</i>		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 _____ GMT <i>11</i> 0920 & 0915Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Military & Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-30 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round ball with tail, size of grape-fruit. Ball was white, tail was blue-red. Obj very bright and lit up entire area. Tail appeared to come from center rather than edges of ball. No sound. Obj moving very fast.				11. COMMENTS No doubt a very large meteor. Reported from 6 sources in same general area.	

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11 FEB 59

SAFIS
11/0915Z SHAW AFB, SC
ASAC (METEOR)
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SMD C 030

CZCHQD068ZCVJA442

PP RJEZHQ

DE RJESDD 121

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FM COMDR NINTH AFSHAW AFB SC

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RJEDSQ/COMDR ATIC

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INFO RJEDDX/COMDR TAC

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UNCLAS FROM NAFOI 2-0966. INFO TAC, TIND. SUBJECT: REPORT OF UFO SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, PARA 15:

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: (1) ROUND BALL WITH TAIL. (2) SIZE AT ARMS LENGTH ABOUT GRAPEFRUIT. (3) BALL WAS WHITE, TAIL WAS BLUE-RED (ABOUT COLOR OF F-101 WITH AFTERBURNER ON). (4) ONE. (5) ONLY ONE OBJECT. (6) NO DISCERNIBLE FEATURES OTHER THAN BEING VERY BRIGHT AND LIT UP THE ENTIRE AREA. (7) TAIL APPEARED TO COME FROM CENTER OF BALL RATHER THAN EDGES OF BALL. TAIL ABOUT 2 TO 3 TIMES DIAMETER OF BALL. (8) NO SOUND AT ALL. (9) SEEMED TO BE MOVING VERY FAST.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT: (1) ATTRACTED AIRMAN'S ATTENTION

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BY THE TAIL. (2) ANGLE OF ELEVATION ABOUT 40 DEGREES AT FIRST. (3) ABOUT 40 DEGREES AT OR NEAR DISAPPEARANCE. (4) APPEARED TO BE IN STRAIGHT AND LEVEL FLIGHT, NO MANEUVERS. (5) OBJECT DISAPPEARED GOING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION. (6) OBJECT VISIBLE A SHORT TIME BETWEEN 5 - 10 SECONDS.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND-VISUAL. (2) NO OPTICAL AIDS USED. (3) NOT APPLICABLE.

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: (1) 11/0915Z. (2) NIGHT.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER. APPROXIMATE CENTER OF BUILT-UP AREA OF SHAW AFB SC (33 DEGREES 59'N-81 DEGREES 33'E).

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER: (1) NOT APPLICABLE. (2) GERALD

D. SCHUTZ, AIRMAN 2/C, 4502ND SUPP SQ, AIRCRAFT MECHANIC. AIRMAN SCHUTZ DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE THE PUBLICITY SEEKING TYPE. IN ADDITION HE SEES MODERN JET AIRCRAFT (F-101, B-66) VERY OFTEN. HE APPEARS TO BE RELIABLE, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE APPEARANCE AND SOUNDS OF A JET AIRCRAFT UNDER VARYING CONDITIONS OF LIGHT AND WEATHER.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS:

(1) CLEAR. (2) 6,000', 290 DEGREES, 30 KNOTS; 10,000' 270 DEGREES, 65 KNOTS; 16,000 270 DEGREES, 75 KNOTS; 20,000', 260 DEGREES, 75 KNOTS; 30,000', 260 DEGREES, 85 KNOTS; 50,000', 260 DEGREES, 80 KNOTS; 80,000',

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270 DEGREES, 35 KNOTS. (3) NO CEILING. (4) 10 MILES OR GREATER. (5)

NO CLOUD COVER. (6) NO THUNDERSTORMS.

H. NONE TO OBSERVER.

I. NOT APPLICABLE.

J. NO AIR TRAFFIC AT TIME.

K. ASST CHIEF INTELLIGENCE SERVICES DIVISION, NINTH AF DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE; IT IS THE BELIEF OF THE INTERVIEWING OFFICER THAT THE UFO DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT WAS MOST LIKELY A METEOR OR OTHER NATURAL PHENOMENON. THE OBSERVER STATED THAT IT WAS VERY QUIET AT THE TIME OF OBSERVATION AND AN AIRCRAFT WITH AFTERBURNER OPERATING COULD HAVE BEEN HEARD FOR A CONSIDERABLE DISTANCE.

L. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE (NO PHOTOGRAPHS).

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13/2150Z FEB RJESDD

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11/0920Z

PAGELAND, S. CAROLINA

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SMD A 051

ZCHQA341Z YJA734

PP RJEZHQ

DE RJEDSQ 25D

P 112040Z

FM COMDR 2046TH AACSRON WPAFB OHIO

TO RJWFAL/COMDR/ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

RJEDSQ/COMDR 32ND ADIV MCGHEE TYSON ARPT TENN

ZEN/COMDR ATIC WPAFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/ASST COFS INTELLIGENCE USAF WASHDC

RJEZHQ/OFC OF INFO SVCS HQS USAF WASHDC

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UNCLAS 2046FS-11-B-62.

A. /1/ NONE

/2/ NONE

/3/ BRIGHT WHITE LIGHT WITH GREEN RING AROUND IT

/4/ ONE

/5/ N/A

/6/ NONE

/7/ NONE

/8/ NONE

/9/ NONE

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B. /1/ NONE

/2/ NONE

/3/ NONE

/4/ ASCENDING VERTICALLY AT HIGH SPEED LEVEL OFF

AND PROCEEDED FROM EAST TO WEST DIRECTION AT

HIGH SPEED

/4/ N/A /6/ NONE

C. /1/ GROUND VISUAL

/2/ NONE

/3/ NONE

D. /1/ 110920Z

/2/ NIGHT

E. 10 MILES SOUTH OF PAGELAND SOUTH CAROLINA

F. MAJOR CHEEK AND CAPT WEST WEST VIRGINIA WING

CAP

G. /1/ PARTLY CLOUDY

/2/ 270 DEGREES 40 KNOTS AT 6000

270 DEGREES 70 KNOTS AT 10000

270 DEGREES 100 KNOTS AT 20000

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Called in from Flight Service 1345 11 Feb 59

Charleston W. VA.

SVC. rpt. recd. by CAP 11 1675-Z
fr. Mjr. Cheek, Capt West. W. VA. WR. CAP.

UFO sighted at 0420 EST 11 Feb 59 Loc.

Page Land, S.C. UFO descr. bright white
light w/ green ring around it ~~ascending~~ descending
vertically at high speed. Level off and proceeded
from E to W at high speed. position of
sighting 10 Miles S.W. of Page Land, S.C..

GOING N. US 301 30 sec

Charleston W. VA.

National Guard operations

Dickens 75105-

335-29 ← used

335-30

Maj. Hackett

Called Charleston Natl. Hd. ops. and was told
the CAP was in a new location across the
field. Natl. Hd. people are supposed to have
Maj. Hackett, AF officer attached to the CAP,
call us back.

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250 DEGREES 115 KNOTS AT 30000

270 DEGREES 65 KNOTS AT 50000

/3/ 12000 FT

/4/ 15 MILES

/5/ 7/10

/6/ NONE

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE

K. OPERATIONS OFFICER WRIGHT-PATTERSON FLIGHT SERVICE
CENTER WHO RECEIVED FROM DM AT CHARLESTON ANG WEST
VIRGINIA

L. NONE

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11/2140Z FEB RJEDSQ

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INFO : OOP, SAFIS

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U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

11 Feb _____
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

0428
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

PAGE LAND S.C. 8-10 miles North of
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

_____ Hours _____ Minutes 30 Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- ☒ c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- ☒ b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

☒ a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

Very Bright

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | ☒ Yes | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | ☒ Yes | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): ☒ Yes *star* No Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

☒ c. Don't Know.

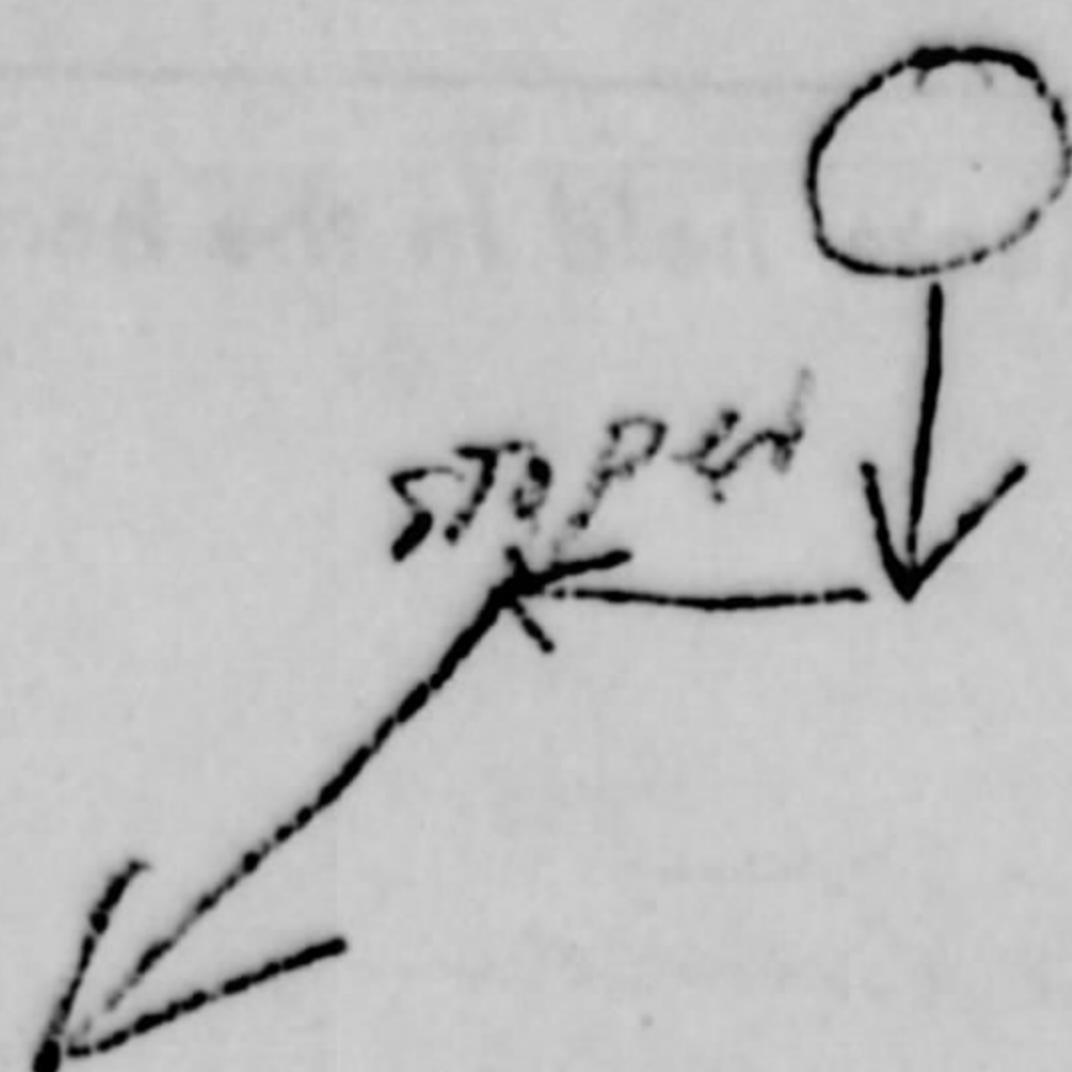
15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|--|-----|----|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| ☒ c. Windshield | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

- a. Sound none
- b. Color bright white light w/ green ring

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
☒ c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? one
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet. *can't*

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other _____

} between

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

- ☒ a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view?

*flew to SW at
high rate of speed over horizon*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- ☒ b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- ☒ c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*Traveling in car and brightness lit up
car. Wife was driving and woke me up.*

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- ☒ a. North
- b. Northeast

- c. East
- d. Southeast

- e. South
- f. Southwest

- g. West
- h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving? 60 miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?
(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast

- c. East
- d. Southeast

- e. South
- f. Southwest

- g. West
- h. Northwest

overhead at about 10 o'clock

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast

- c. East
- d. Southeast

- e. South
- ☒ f. Southwest

- g. West
- h. Northwest

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 340-360 degrees.
- b. From horizon 90 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 230 degrees.
- b. From horizon 0 degrees.

34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- ☒ a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- ☒ a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- ☒ a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- ☒ c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

11 Day Feb Month _____ Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~_____~~
~~_____~~
 Charleston, W. Va.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

No idea

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

To west approx. 500-600

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? 5000 feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

DICKENS

What is your present job?

Electronic Engineer

Age

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Sex

M

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

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e. e. Technical school

b. High school

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(Type)

c. College

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

(ANALYST'S COMMENTS)

Day

Month

Year

The observer stated his wife stuck her head out and looked almost directly over head. Observer was asked twice if she did this while driving, and he said she must have. All this while traveling at 60 MPH.