

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Mar 59		2. LOCATION Lowry AFB, Colo.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical equipment ☒ Other malfunction ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 02/1400-1500Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION one hr		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS not given		9. COURSE not given	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Unidentified objs observed on Lowry AFB weather radar scope. No direction or speed observed.				11. COMMENTS Objs proved to be malfunction of equipment which caused echo to appear as radar return.	

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
2D DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
111 EAST 16TH STREET
NEW YORK 3, NEW YORK

IN REPLY

REFER TO: 2D 24-0 - 556

MAR 5 1959

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting on 2 March 1959 at 0030 Hours by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

TO : Commander
McGuire Air Force Base
Trenton, New Jersey

1. Reference is made to paragraph 4b of AFR 200-2, dated 5 February 1958.

2. On 2 March 1959, this District Office was telephonically advised by Special Agent RICHARD SWANENBURG of Detachment 304, OSI, Custom House, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, of the following information, which was furnished to him by Mr. [REDACTED], Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who is employed by the Philco Corporation, Abbotsford and Wissahikon Streets, Philadelphia. SWANENBURG stated that [REDACTED] is 26 years of age, has an M.E. degree from Rutgers University, and appears to be a responsible person.

3. [REDACTED] that he had sighted a spherical object, which appeared to be about the size of a nickel or a quarter when held in the hand at arm's length. A slight vapor trail, which in length was about twice the diameter of the object, trailed behind it. The vapor trail was about the same width or slightly narrower than the object. The center of the object was orange while the outer portion and its vapor trail were yellow. The object had no discernible details, and no sound was noted. The distance to the object could not be estimated; however, it was believed to be at least one mile away. [REDACTED] first noted the object through the windshield of his car. It was at an elevation of approximately 25° on a downward path, and disappeared behind trees on the distant horizon. During the latter portion of its flight, before disappearing the object appeared to waver in flight. The object was in view for three to four seconds. [REDACTED] was traveling alone in his car, and observed the object without visual aids. At the time of the sighting [REDACTED] was on the Franklin Park cutoff road about 200 yards from U.S. Route 1, approximately 4 miles south of New Brunswick, New Jersey. [REDACTED] judged that he was heading in a direction south, southeast, and noted

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the object a little to his right. He therefore believed the object was approximately south when observed. [REDACTED] stated that the sky was clear at the time he observed the object and that this observation took place at approximately 0030 hours on 2 March 1959.

William W. Roberts
WILLIAM W. ROBERTS
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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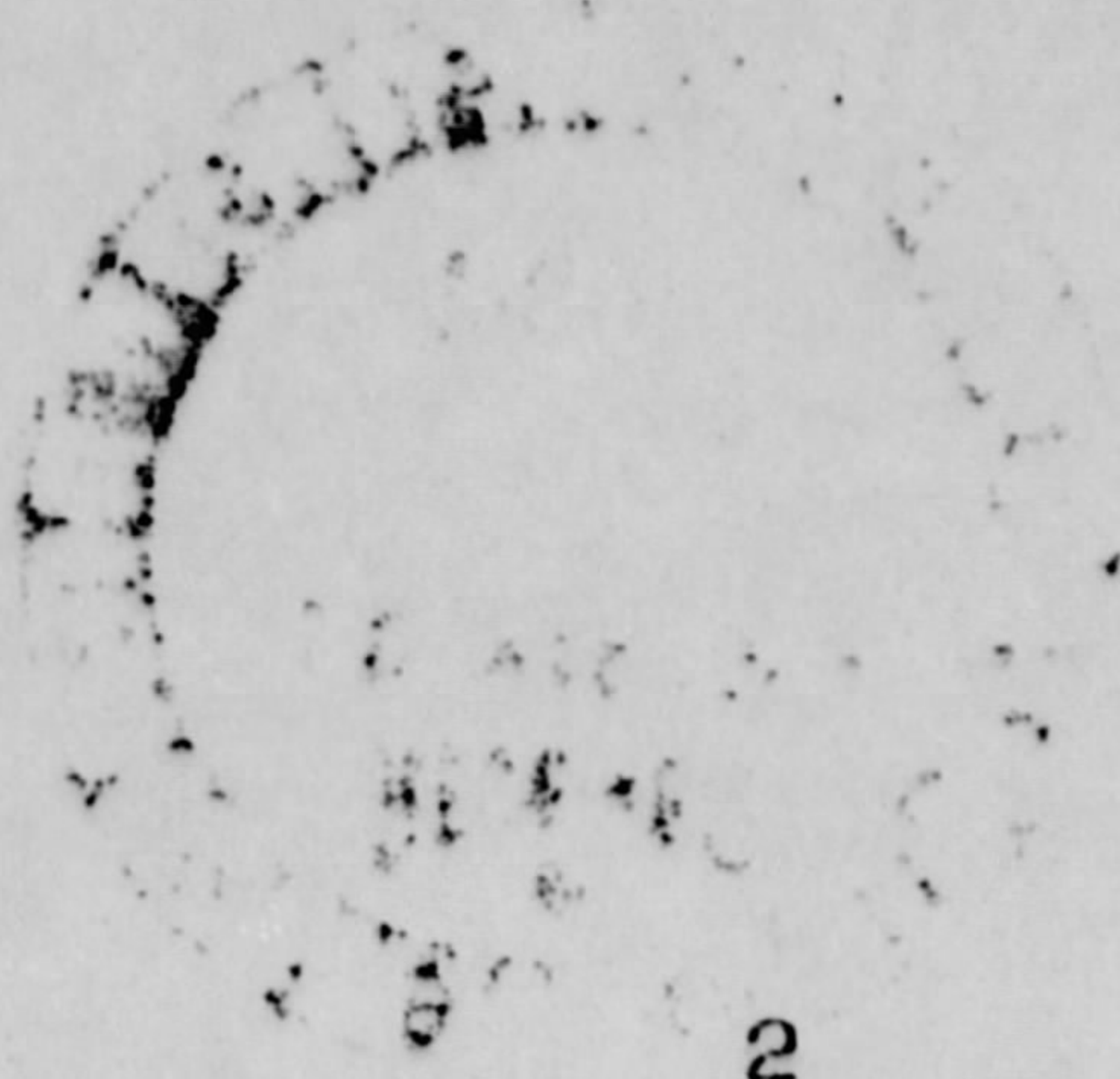
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HQ MCCUIRE AIR FORCE BASE (1611TH AIR BASE GROUP, MATS), McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey

TO: Commander, New York Air Defense Sector, Attn: Intelligence,
McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey

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NYOIN, Hq NY Air DefSect, McGuire AFB, NJ. Subj: "UFO Sighting on
2 Mar '59 at 0030 Hrs by [REDACTED], Phila., Pa.
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20000 feet	250°	65 knots
30000 feet	240°	100 knots
50000 feet	240°	700 knots

- (3) Ceiling - 4500 feet scattered
- (4) Visibility - 6 miles in haze
- (5) Amount of Cloud Cover - 2 tenths
- (6) Thunderstorms in area - none

h. None

i. None

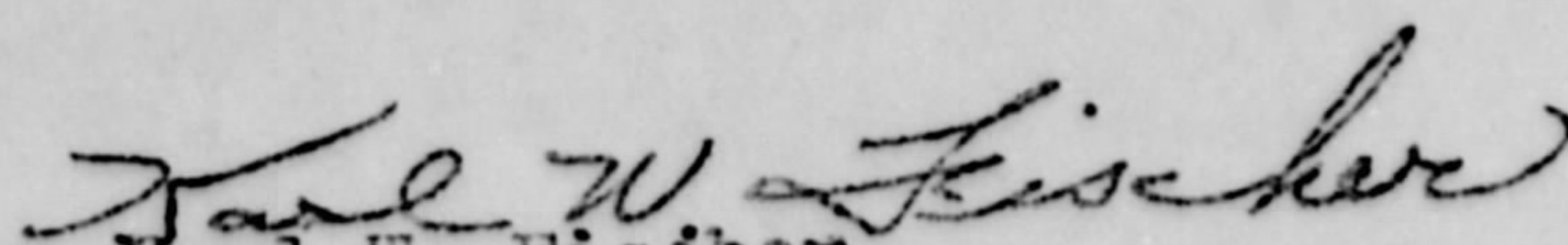
j. None determined

k. William S. Barnett, 1/Lt, USAF, Assistant Intelligence Officer, Headquarters, New York Air Defense Sector, McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey. Information obtained has indicated that Mr. [REDACTED] was driving a 1957 Ford which has a wrap-around windshield. It is possible that Mr. [REDACTED] saw a reflection of some light source in the windshield which was distorted to appear as an unidentified object. The report was made approximately eight hours after the sighting and the time of "three to four seconds" was a remembered time. Mr. [REDACTED] has been rated a responsible person by the individual who received the initial report.

2. Attached as an inclosure is the summary of the preliminary report as prepared by a Special Agent of the Office of Special Investigation which was forwarded to this office.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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Ltr, IG, USAF, 2d Dist.
Off of Sp Invest, NY w/1st Ind


Karl W. Fischer
1st Lt. USAF
Asst. Dir. of Admin. Services

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UNCLAS FROM KAO 2492C. FOR COMDR 1006TH AFS, ENT AFB, COLO SPRGS,
COLO. CIS REPORT, LOWRY AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO. TWO
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS OBSERVED ON LOWRY AIR FORCE BASE
WEATHER RADAR SCOPE BY CAPTAIN LIONEL D. BLANCHARD, FORECASTER,
AND OTHER RADAR OBSERVERS FROM 1403Z-1500Z BEARING FROM LOWRY
286 DEGREES 7.4 MILES AT 31000 FEET AND 344 DEGREES 7.4 MILES
31000. NO DIRECTION OR SPEED OBSERVED. PRESENT WIND DIRECTION
AT 30000 IS 270 DEGREES AT 75 KNOTS. THIS CONFIRMS TELEPHONE
REPORT GIVEN BY COLONEL BEASLEY, LOWRY BASE OPERATIONS OFFICER,
TO COMBAT OPERATIONS, ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO SPRINGS,
COLORADO.

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED	
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TO: COMDR, LOWRY AFB, COLO. <i>RGW FAN</i>					SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
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PHONE 69216		PAGE NR. 1 NR. OF PAGES 1		TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE LOUIS J HARRELL	
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED		RELEASER		Captain, USAF Assistant Administrative Officer	

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TO RJWFAL/COMDR ADC

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UNCLAS FROM KAO2670C FOR COMDR 1006TH AISS ENT AFB COLO SPGS

COLO UFO MY KAO 2492 UFO OBSERVED ON WEATHER RADAR SCOPE PROVED

TO BE MALFUNCTION OF EQUIPMENT WHICH CAUSED ECHO TO APPEAR AS

RADAR RETURN REQUEST ALL REPORTS REFLECT THIS INFORMATION

AND ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION BE TERMINATED

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