

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Apr 59		2. LOCATION Batesville, Ark., Newport, Ark.		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 _____ GMT 02/1200Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual Telescope ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 hrs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE straight up	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, transparent, egg-shaped obj, silver in color. Obj rising straight up.				11. COMMENTS The description is typical of a weather balloon, Substantiated by observer viewing object thru telescope.	

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- A. 1. ROUND, TRANSPARENT, EGG-SHAPE. 6. NONE
2. BASKETBALL 7. NONE
3. SILVER 8. NONE
4. ONE 9. NO DIRECTION, GOING
5. N/A UP 800FT PER MIN.
- B. 1. ~~REDACTED~~ BONANZA 4. STRAIGHT UP
2. 240 45 MILES R64,000 5. N/A
3. N/A 6. TWO HOURS, FM 1200Z
- C. 1. GROUND VISUAL, AIRBORN VISUAL, CIVILIANS IN NEWPORT, ARK

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3. [REDACTED] BONANZA, R13, ORBITING BATESVILLE, ARK HOME STATION
LITTLE ROCK, ARK

DM 1. 2 APR 1959, 1200Z

2. DAY

E. 35 42"N, 91 35"W, BATESVILLE, ARK.

F. 1. [REDACTED] 37, [REDACTED] TV ENGINEER.

2. N/A

G. 1. CLEAR

2. 6,000 - 320 - 30K 20,000 - 320 - 60K

10,000 - 320 - 35K 30,000 - 330 - 75K

15,000 - 330 45K 50,000 - 310 - 45K

80,000 - NOT AVAILABLE

3. NONE

4. 12 MILES

5. NONE

6. N/A

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H. NONE

I. NO TAC ACTION, NAVY MINX 26 (T2V) CLIMBED TO 34 THOUSAND
FEET AND CIRCLED BELOW OBJECT, REPORTED IT LOOKED LIKE A WEATHER
BALOON 1505Z.

J. NONE

K. 1440Z, SENIOR DIRECTOR, NONE

L. NONE

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