

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 Jun 59		2. LOCATION Lyons, Colorado		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical Meteor ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0830 GMT 18/1530Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 27 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE SW to North	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING First heard a terrific roar, rushed outside & sighted a 3 pointed, dull gray obj traveling much faster than a jet & tumbling point first. The sound did not seem to follow the obj, but drifted off toward the mountains..				11. COMMENTS Daytime observation of Bolide type meteor.	



HEADQUARTERS
AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ENT AIR FORCE BASE
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

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25 JUN 1959

SUBJECT: UFO Report

TO: ATIC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio *14 E4g*

The attached report of UFO sighting, received by this Headquarters, is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Douglas W. Eiseman

DOUGLASS W. EISEMAN
Colonel, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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a/s

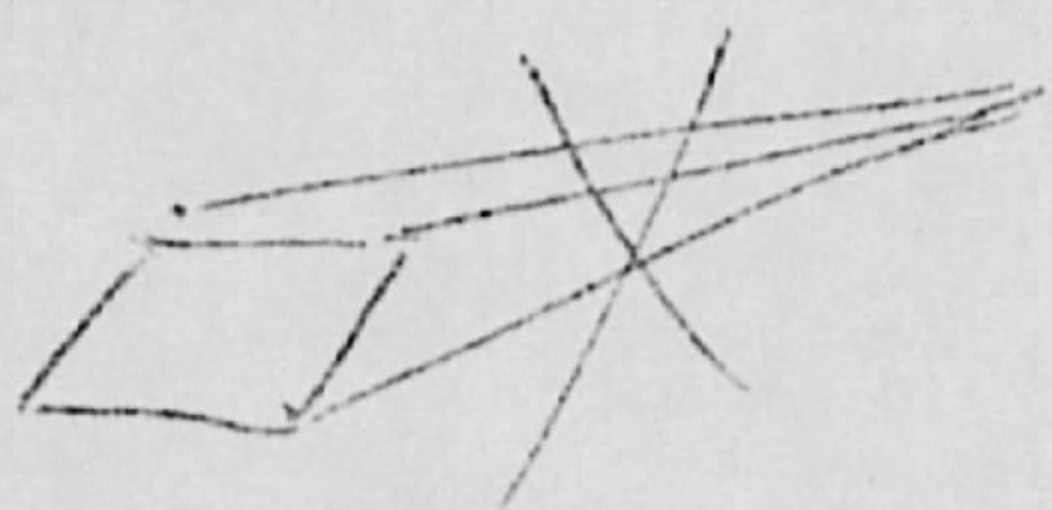
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Lyons, Colo.
June 18, 1959

Dear Sirs:

Another report on
a flying "Object".

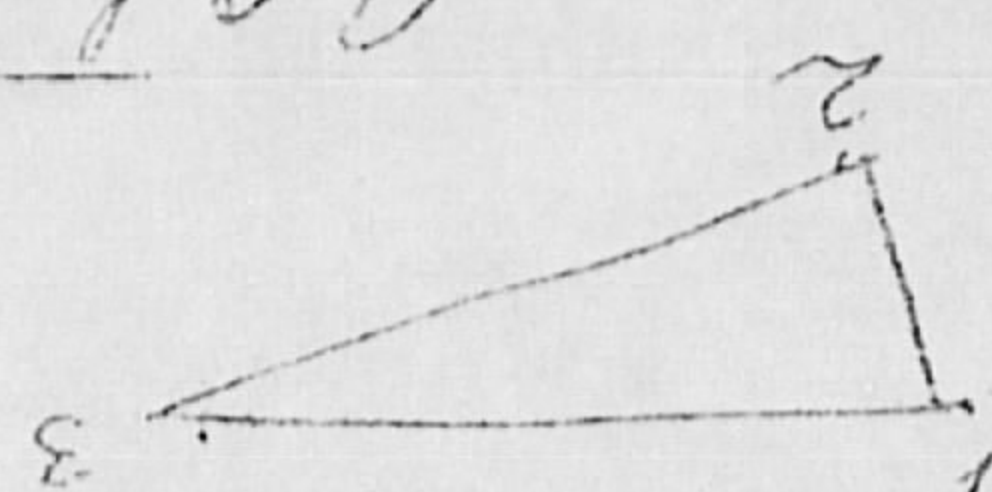
We live ~~in the~~
east of Lyons, in ~~the~~
~~area~~. This morning at about
eight my wife heard a
terrible noise overhead
which was unlike either
a jet or a commercial
airliner. Rushing outside,
she was unable to see
any plane but swears up
and down that about six
or seven thousand feet up
and a little to the south she
spotted an object something
like this:-



← It was
tumbling point first

toward the north along

enough for her to identify
"three" points on



The object but

actually

moving thru the air faster
than any jet we've ever
seen around here.

It was a dull grey,
with no glint or shine.

The terrific noise
did not tell the

object but seemed to

drift off toward the

mountains and fade out

entirely.

Sounds like the

re-entry of a mass core,
doesn't it?

Yours truly,

~~[Redacted signature]~~

MEMO ROUTING SLIP		NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS	
1 NAME OR TITLE	Col Rethman	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	AFCIN-4E4	DATE	1 COORDINATION
2	Col Hoffman		2 FILE
	AFCIN-4E		INFORMATION
3	Maj L. J. Tacker		3 NECESSARY ACTION
	SAFIS-3		NOTE AND RETURN
4			SEE ME
			SIGNATURE
REMARKS			
Request an AFIC Form #164 be forwarded to Mrs. [REDACTED] requesting her to give as much detailed information as possible.			
FROM NAME OR TITLE		DATE	
Maj Robert J. Friend		30 June 59	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION		TELEPHONE	
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FORM
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Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 43, and AFHQ
Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

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9 July 1959

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 18 June 1959 concerning an unidentified object your wife sighted on that day. Your letter contained insufficient data to allow a valid conclusion. Therefore, I am inclosing an Air Force Questionnaire which Mrs. [REDACTED] should fill out giving as much detailed information as possible.

When the questionnaire is completed, please forward it direct to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for an analysis and or evaluation of this sighting.

Sincerely,

Inc.
a/s

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Executive Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information Services

Mr. [REDACTED]
Lyons, Colorado

SAFIS-3 Comeback By
SAFIS 1 Reading Cy

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?

18 6 1959
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

8 30
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?

LYONS LYONS Colorado
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: South of Lyons,

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

_____ Hours _____ Minutes 27 Seconds

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

a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight d. Just a trace of daylight
b. Dull daylight e. No trace of daylight
c. Bright twilight 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 d. To your left
b. In back of you e. Overhead
c. To your right 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

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

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. Eyoglasses | 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 Initial Roar didn't follow object

b. Color Dull, dark grey

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? _____
 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.

20 feet.

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 OPEN MATCH BOOK

- 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? I glanced southward for just a second to locate the origin of the sound. It had disappeared over the mountains to the north 13 miles when I looked back.

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.

Material: wood or metal.
It would be 20' long and 8' wide at the base.

The best description I can give is:—"a tumbling pyramid."

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?

*I had just gotten up & I rushed outside
to see what the unusual sound was.*

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 | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ 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 | c. East | e. <u>South</u> | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. <u>Southwest</u> | h. Northwest |

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

- | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. <u>North</u> | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | 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 _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon 23 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?

18 6 1959
Day 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:

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?

My husband thinks from my description of the object & the noise it made that it was a nose-cone making a reentry into the earth's atmosphere.

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

(Circle One)

Yes No

*Twice the speed
of the fastest "jet"
I've ever seen.*

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

*About the height
commercial planes
fly in this area.*

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

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]
Last Name

[REDACTED]
First Name

[REDACTED]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]
Street

Lyns
City

Zone

Colo.
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job?

Housewife

Age

49

Sex

female

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school ✓

e. e. Technical school _____

b. High school ✓

(Type) _____

c. College 1 yr.

f. Other special training Teaching

d. Post graduate _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

14
Day

7
Month

1959
Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

July 14, 1959

I saw this early in the morning, in a clear sky, almost directly over-head, from the south to the north. The object was traveling at terrific speed but at the same time slowly tumbling end over end.

The roar which caused me to rush outdoors did not follow the object but continued for a few seconds and then faded out towards the west.

It was dull grey in color with no brightness of any kind. It looked heavy & awkward as it tumbled in the sky but the over-all speed was terrific.