

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>14 Jul 59                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2. LOCATION<br>New Delhi, India                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <i>METEOR</i><br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <i>SHOWER</i><br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 2100<br>GMT 14/1530Z Jul 59                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 6. SOURCE<br>Civilian                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>15 mins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>7                                                                                                                                                                             | 9. COURSE<br>varied                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br>Bright light, color light orange-red, about the brightness of a medium star, no sound, moving very rapidly across the sky, followed during the next 15 mins by six more, all of the same color, but w/varying degrees of brightness. All disappeared as if extinguished. |                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 11. COMMENTS<br>The objs described are very similar to a meteor shower. Astro. Records indicate there was a Capricornids meteor shower at the time of the rptd sighting. It is highly probable that the witness observed a meteor shower. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| PREPARING INDIVIDUAL<br><br>Maj Banta M York, Actg AirA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  | DATE OF REPORT<br>22 Jul 59      |                 |
| NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE<br><br>Mr. [REDACTED]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  | EVALUATION<br>F-6                |                 |
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| None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE        |                 |
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| Flying Saucers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  | SRI NO. ACTIVE                   |                 |
| SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)                                                                               |  |                                  |                 |
| This report transmits information on the possible sighting of Flying Saucers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |                                  |                 |
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1. On 21 July 1959, Mr. [REDACTED] 2d Secretary Economic of this Embassy, submitted the following by Office Memorandum. "At about 9 P.M. on Tuesday, July 14, 1959, I observed some strange lights passing through the sky, which I thought might be worth reporting to you. My family and I were sitting on our roof terrace after dinner when I noticed a light moving across the sky at considerable speed. I thought at first that it was an airplane, but then became aware of the following unusual characteristics: The light was so bright and so plainly visible that it seemed to have come from an airplane flying at less than 2,000 feet and less than one mile distant. Such an airplane would have been plainly audible but we heard no sound. The light travelled from the left side to the right side of my field of vision; an airplane travelling that direction would show its green starboard light - this light was a steady light orange-red, about the brightness of a medium bright star. It moved in a straight line from east to west, about  $40^{\circ}$  -  $50^{\circ}$  above the horizontal. I was looking south and first noticed it at a compass heading of about  $170^{\circ}$  and lost it at about  $230^{\circ}$ . We would not have thought more about it except that during the next 15 minutes we saw six more lights, all of the same color, but with varying brightness and all moving in straight lines without sound. All disappeared as if they had been extinguished. The second light moved in the same direction as the first, but at a slightly lower altitude; the next two were to the west of us, moving in a north-easterly direction at slightly different elevations; the next moved from north to south, to the west of us, one moved from west to east, (disappearing when it reached a point about due south of us), and the last moved east to west, also to the south of us. Weather conditions were about like this that evening: the temperature was about  $85^{\circ}$ , there was a light breeze from the east, the sky was clear except for a small patch of fluffy clouds to the south and a low front in the west".

2. COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER:

The Indian Air Force Weather Station at Palam Airport, New Delhi (within ten miles of the sighting) had a  $15^{\circ}$  temperature inversion between 3,000 and 5,000 feet at 1500 Indian Standard Time on 14 July 1959. At 2200 Indian Standard Time, the weather station did not show an inversion.