

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 Oct 59		2. LOCATION Dover AFB, Delaware		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 15/ 2301Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 14 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING White fireball w/tail changing white to blue to blue-green. Tail was one to one and one-fourth inches long as measured by holding a pea at arm's length.				11. COMMENTS Probably a meteor.	

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UFO. A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

- (1) WHITE FIREBALL WITH TAIL CHANGING WHITE TO 2073 59 2073-GREEN.
- (2) THE SIZE OF THE BALL WAS THAT COVERED BY A PEA HELD BETWEEN THE FINGERS AT ARM'S LENGTH. THE SIZE OF THE TAIL WAS ONE TO ONE AND ONE-FOURTH INCHES LONG MEASURED BY THE SAME METHOD.
- (3) AS IN SUBPARAGRAPH (1).
- (4) ONE
- (5) N/A

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(6) NONE

(7) AS IN PARAGRAPH (1)

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) THE APPEARANCE OF A BRIGHT LIGHT IN THE SKY.

(2) OBSERVED ON A BEARING OF APPROXIMATELY 190 DEGREES, TRAVERSED AN ARC OF 45 DEGREES TO THE EAST SOUTHEAST AND DISAPPEARED ON A BEARING OF 145 DEGREES. APPROXIMATE COURSE 90 DEGREES. ALL BEARINGS AND HEADINGS MAGNETIC. THE ELEVATION 4 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON OR JUST ABOVE THE TREE TOPS.

(3) SAME AS (2) ABOVE.

(4) FLIGHT PATH EXACTLY HORIZONTAL AND PARALLEL WITH THE HORIZON FROM SIGHTING TO DISAPPEARANCE.

(5) BEHIND THE HORIZON.

(6) EXACTLY 14 SECONDS FROM 2301Z AND 45 SECONDS TO 2321Z AND 59 SECONDS.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) VISUAL. SITED FROM THE CONTROL TOWER BY THE TOWER CHIEF AND ANOTHER CONTROLLER.

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(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SITING:

(1) 15 OCT 59, 2301Z AND 45 SECONDS TO 59 SECONDS.

(2) DUSK, CLEAR, GOOD VISIBILITY, FULL MOON RISING.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S):

(1) CONTROL TOWER, ELEVATION APPROXIMATELY 80 FEET,
DOVER AFB, DEL.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(S):

(1) T/SGT WILLIAM C. CARN, JR., AF14432231, 2016TH
AACS SQ, DOVER AFB, DEL., TOWER CHIEF, 8 YEARS' EXPERIENCE,
CONSIDERED EXTREMELY RELIABLE.

(2) A/2C JOHN D. OLIVE, SAME ORGANIZATION, LOCAL
CONTROLLER, EXPERIENCE 3 MONTHS. SERVES ONLY AS SUBSTANTIATING
SGT CARNS' STATEMENT.

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

(1) TOWER OBSERVER'S WEATHER - CLEAR, VISIBILITY
15 - 20 MILES.

(2) OFFICIAL WEATHER REPORT: SURFACE WINDS CALM.

(3) NONE

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(4) 7 MILES

(5) 12,000 SCATTERED

(6) NONE

(7) INVERSION AT 700 FT - 1,000 FT OF 4 DEGREES

CENTIGRADE AND SECOND INVERSION AT 5,000 FT 3 DEGREES
CENTIGRADE. SURFACE TEMPERATURE 50 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE

K. WING PLANS AND INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, STANLEY J. ASH,
MAJOR, USAF. BECAUSE OF THE EXACT BEARINGS AVAILABLE FROM THE
TOWER AND THE EXACT TIME AND DURATION OF THE SITING, AND
BECAUSE OF THE LEVEL TRAJECTORY AT CONSIDERABLE DISTANCE,
IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THE SITING COULD BE POSSIBLY A MISSILE
OF SOME NATURE.

L. NONE

SIMILAR OBJECT REPORTED AT THE SAME TIME BY RADAR STATION
AT PAUTEXENT.

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1 October 1959.
Maysville, Kentucky

News Release

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...An unidentified object, measuring eight inches in length and 1 1/2 inches in diameter, was found last October 1st by Hudson Carpenter, a farmer living near Maysville, Kentucky. The object is cylinder-shaped and made of a hard white plastic and heavy aluminum. It was found about 1,000 feet from a main highway, lying on the ground. It was taken by Mr. Carpenter to the office of a local newspaper for examination, and then presumably sent to the Air Force.

No Case (Information Only)

11 October 1959 Warsaw, Poland

WARSAW, OCT. 14. (UPI)--ANOTHER MYSTERIOUS GLOW IN THE SKY APPEARED OVER POLAND LAST NIGHT.

HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS OF BIALYSTOK NEAR THE POLISH-RUSSIAN BORDER SAW A LUMINOUS OBJECT MOVING IN A SOUTHWEST-NORTH-EAST DIRECTION AT ABOUT 9:30 P.M. (4:30 P.M. EDT).

UNLIKE INHABITANTS OF WARSAW, WHO LAST WEEK HAILED A NIGHT-TIME GLOW OVER A CHURCH STEEPLE AS A VISION OF THE VIRGIN MARY, THE BIALYSTOK VIEWERS WERE CONVINCED THEY WERE SEEING THE RETURN OF RUSSIAN MOON ROCKET LUNIK III.

THE POLISH NEWS AGENCY PAP, HOWEVER, SUGGESTED THE BRIGHT OBJECT OVER BIALYSTOK WAS EITHER A BURNED-OUT STAGE OF SOME OTHER SPACE-ROCKET, OR AN EXPERIMENTAL BALLOON MOVING AT VERY HIGH ALTITUDES.

INTEREST IN THE WARSAW "VISION" WAS DYING DOWN TUESDAY.

*NY Times
12 Oct 59*

WARSAW THRONA DRAWN

Widening-Like Figure Said to
Be Seen atop Church Steeple

WARSAW, Oct. 11 (AP)—

Drawn by widespread word-of-mouth reports of a luminous, throne-like figure appearing at the top of the church steeple for three nights, people gathered by the hundreds around St. Augustine's Church in Nowy-Swiat Street today.

The luminous figure, some visitors said, was first seen last Wednesday on the Feast of Our Lady of the Snow. No one saw it Thursday, but the figure was said to have appeared again Friday and Saturday nights.

Among Western observers that night were Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan and Mrs. Williams, who were in Warsaw on a private visit and went to the church standing among the praying and chanting people, both said they could see the figure.

At today's Masses the parish priest warned against "hasty conclusions." A miracle, he said, is a supernatural phenomenon that cannot be explained. "The light on our church tower," he added, "might be explained."

17 - 30 OCTOBER 1959 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
17	Franklin, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
19	N of Langley AFB, Virginia	[REDACTED]	Other (HOAX)
19	Republic of Korea	Military (PHOTO/NR)	Astro (VENUS)
19	Great Mills, Maryland	National Airlines	
		Eastern Airlines	Insufficient Data
19	Near Cartegena, Columbia	Columbia Navy	Insufficient Data
19	Plainville, Kansas	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
20	Dayton, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
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21	Atlantic Ocean E of Virginia	USN	Astro (METEOR)
21	Warsaw, New York	[REDACTED]	Other (INVERSION REFL)
21	Olcott, New York	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
22	Prescott, Arizona	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
22-23	Loring AFB, Ft Fairfield, Maine	[REDACTED] (VENUS)	Balloon
23		[REDACTED]	Balloon
23	Carswell GCI Site, Maine SEE LORING	Military (RADAR)	Insufficient DATA
25	Mansfield, Pennsylvania	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
26	Mobile, Alabama	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
26	Taccae, Georgia	[REDACTED]	Other (ICE FALL)
28	Pacific (Wake - Hawaii)	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
28	Ozona, Texas	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
28	New England States & Atlantic	Multi	Other (BALLOON ROCKET)
29	Vandalia, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
29	N Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada	Military	Insufficient Data
30	Dayton, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
Oct	Universe	Science News Ltr	
23	Mt Gwaina Range, New Guinea	Newsclipping	
23	Los Angeles, California	Newsclipping	
28	Hong Kong, China	[REDACTED] (Ltr)	