

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 February, 1960		2. LOCATION San Jose, California		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 1600 GMT 15/2400Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Given		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One		9. COURSE Not Given	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A sound was heard which followed observation of jet a/c. It was claimed that the sound was a different sound from that made by jet aircraft.				11. COMMENTS Probable cause was sonic booms. The geographical configuration of the area is hilly and would cause amplification of this sound.	

REFERRAL NOTICE										DATE MAR 1 1960	
SUBJECT (or identification) Unidentified Flying Object										SUSPENSE DATE 25	
FROM: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, LBL											
TO:											
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ATTENTION: Major Friend											
TYPE OF ACTION											
☒	APPROPRIATE ACTION			PREPARATION OF APPROPRIATE FORWARDING CORRESPONDENCE				ACTION ASSIGNED TO:			
☐	COMMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS			INFORMATION ON WHICH TO BASE REPLY				ACS/I HAS/HAS NOT SEEN			
☐	NOTE AND RETURN			PREPARATION OF REPLY (for signature of ACS/Intelligence)				AFCIN-X HAS ORIGINAL			
☐	INFORMATION AND/OR FILE			PREPARATION OF REPLY (for signature of Deputy, ACS/Intelligence)				FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT (indicate name and extension) Capt Copas/eb <i>CSC</i> 77908/Rm 204, Anx 3 AFCIN-LBL			
☐	COORDINATION			PREPARATION OF REPLY (for signature of:)							
☐	DIRECT REPLY (with copy to AFCIN-X)			INFORMATION COPIES FORWARDED TO:							
COMMENTS (Use reverse and blank sheets if more space is required)										COMMENT NO. 1	
Attached letter, received from ACSI/Army, is forwarded for your information and whatever action may be deemed necessary. Request you inform AFCIN-LBL concerning your action and/or final disposition of, this matter, since future inquiries will probably be received from ACSI/Army 2 Atch 1. DD 95, 25 Feb 60 2. Ltr fr Mrs. [REDACTED] 15 Feb 60											
COORDINATION (Initials, Last name and Grade)								SIGNATURE  Robert E. Harrington, Colonel, USAF AFCIN-LBL			

MEMO ROUTING SLIP		NEVER USE FOR APPROVALS, DISAPPROVALS, CONCURRENCES, OR SIMILAR ACTIONS	
1 NAME OR TITLE Capt. D.B. Copas	INITIALS		CIRCULATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION AFCIN 1B1 Room 204 Pnt Annex #3	DATE		COORDINATION
2			FILE
		1	INFORMATION
3		1	NECESSARY ACTION
			NOTE AND RETURN
4			SEE ME
			SIGNATURE
REMARKS The attached letter is forwarded as a matter pertaining to your office.			
FROM NAME OR TITLE <i>[Signature]</i> for Major James H. Nix, Jr.		DATE 25 Feb 60	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Investigations Branch, OACSI		TELEPHONE 77633	

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Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

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Sonic Boom

Heard In Valley

A cracking sonic boom moving in a north-south direction startled residents in the central and eastern parts of Santa Clara Valley at noon today.

Reports telephoned to the News indicated the explosive sound waves traveled along a path from Almaden, through San Jose east of First street and along the eastern foothills.

The responsible aircraft was not sighted.

Feb 15, 1960

Army High Command:

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I know the sound of a jet, but this is a different kind of sound. It is as though it lies in wait between the first and 16th of the month. Its motor stops and then goes again as though it can stay in one place and wait it is hard to find words to describe it.

It followed the two jets tonite at 4 o'clock Feb 15, 1960.

Enclose is an article in the paper about an sonic boom. I was in the yard and close over head I could hear this strange noise, & I felt such a strange feeling like I was under some kind of great heat. that nite my body was breaking out with strange wealts & my body felt as thou I was coming out of my skin. I went to the hospital about 4 AM. the doctors couldn't describe it so like all doctors they called it hives. I never had hives in my life.

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I asked your military to come see it. but they have the same thing to say it could be a jet.

Tonite, I have heard over the news about a jet going down in Mt View which is not far from San Jose where we live. It went into a house on Feb 15, 1960.

Lick Observatory is right in the area above us where this strange object seems to be most of the time.

I ask you to look into these facts.

/s/ [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
San Jose,
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An old equipment storage
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San Jose,
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SAFOI-3d/Maj Tacker/mhb/72291

15 March 1960

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Your letter of 15 February 1960 addressed to the U. S. Army has been referred to this office.

The probable cause of the sounds you experienced is sonic booms and the normal roar of jet aircraft engines. The geographical configuration of the area where you live is hilly and amplification of the sound and echoes could contribute to what you heard.

The 1955 sighting you describe was probably caused by light reflected from the dome of the Lick Observatory.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
San Jose, California

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AFCIN-412

UFO letter (Mrs Grace Mosley)

AFCIN-191 (Capt Copes)

1. It is the opinion of AFIC that [REDACTED] has been hearing sonic booms, probably coupled with the normal roar from jet aircraft engines.
2. The exact geographic configuration of the area where [REDACTED] lives is not known, but it is hilly. It is possible that amplification of the sound and echoes could have been contributing factors.
3. It is impossible to determine positively what the witness saw in 1955 without additional information; i.e., better description, date, and time. It is highly probable that the sighting was caused by light reflected from the dome of the Lick Observatory. Dr Donald H. Menzel, Harvard Astronomer, agrees that this is a highly possible cause of the sighting. Dr Menzel has lived at the Lick Observatory and is familiar with the area.
4. The witness' letter indicates that she is probably highly excitable, and of definite preconceived notions. She discredits her physician when his diagnosis of her illness (hives) disagrees with her own. The apparent nervous state of the witness, and her tendency toward preconceived ideas, are probably contributing factors in this case.
5. [REDACTED] states that her illness was due to her experience. AFIC does not disagree with the fact that the witness became ill as a result of her experience, but it is highly probable that her illness was psychosomatic by nature.
6. No explanation can be offered for why [REDACTED] experiences occur only between the first and the fifteenth of the month.
7. Information has been forwarded to SAFOI-3d to be used as a basis for a reply to Mrs Mosley.

PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4E

1 Atch:
Cy ltr 15 Feb 60 fr
Mrs Grace Mosley w/1 atch