

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 May 60		2. LOCATION Dallas, Texas		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 1250 GMT 170300Z May 60		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4-5 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Diamond-shaped object, size compared to J3 a/c at 6-8000 ft, glowing red, outlined with aprox 20 to 25 round lights. Speed aprox 3-4 times speed of jet a/c. Flight path in straight line, no maneuvers.				11. COMMENTS It is possible the witness saw a meteor breaking up.	

69TH TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON, MEDIUM (RESERVE)

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
UNITED STATES NAVAL AIR STATION
Dallas, Texas**

**REPLY TO
ATTN OF:**

COMDR

27 MAY 1960

SUBJECT:

**Report of Sighting of Unidentified Flying Object at Dallas,
Texas, 16 May 1960**

TO:

**Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio**

1. This installation has received a report of a sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object at Dallas, Texas, on 16 May 1960 between the hours of 2050 and 2100C.

2. In compliance with AFR 200-2, the following information is submitted.

a. Description of the Object:

- (1) Shape - Diamond.
- (2) Size - Compared to J3 Cub Aircraft at altitude of approximately 6,000 to 8,000 feet.
- (3) Color - Glowing red, outlined with approximately 20 to 25 round lights.
- (4) Number - One.
- (5) Formation - Not applicable.
- (6) Any discernible features or details - None.
- (7) Tail, Trail, or exhaust, including size - None.
- (8) Sound - None.
- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features - Speed approximated at 3 or 4 times speed of jet trainer.

b. Description of Course of Object:

- (1) What first called the attention of observer to the object? Speed, color and shape of object.
- (2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed - Directly south of the observer.
- (3) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance - Approximately 40 degrees east.
- (4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object - Flight path in straight line, no maneuvers.
- (5) How did the object disappear? - Disappeared behind trees which line back yard.
- (6) How long was the object visible - 4 to 5 seconds.

c. Manner of Observation:

- (1) Ground-visual.
- (2) No optical aids.
- (3) Not applicable.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

- (1) 2050 to 2100C hours, 16 May 1960.
- (2) Light Conditions - Night (bright moon and starlight)

e. Location of Observer: Metropolitan area, residential.

f. Identifying Information on Observer: [REDACTED]
Live Oak, Dallas, Texas. Mr [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
Boulevard, Dallas, Texas, former Agent for the Federal Bureau
of Investigation, advised that [REDACTED] reliability was good.

g. Weather and Winds - Clear, bright, unlimited visibility,
winds 12 knots at ground level (Furnished by Meteorologist in Charge,
United States Weather Bureau, Love Field, Dallas, Texas). Report
from United States Weather Bureau, Carter Field, Fort Worth, Texas,
of wind direction and velocity:

6,000 ft	210 degrees at 23 knots
10,000 ft	200 degrees at 29 knots
16,000 ft	250 degrees at 17 knots
20,000 ft	260 degrees at 18 knots
30,000 ft	260 degrees at 30 knots
50,000 ft	260 degrees at 35 knots
60,000 ft	250 degrees at 9 knots

(no reading was taken at elevation of 80,000 ft)

Ceiling - unlimited, Visibility - 15 miles, Amount of cloud cover -
None, Thunderstorms in area: None at time of sighting (Thunderstorms
and lightning reported at 1955 hours Northwest of Dallas, Texas area,
no distance given. Temperature - 83 degrees at 1955 hours, 81 degrees
at 2055 hours.

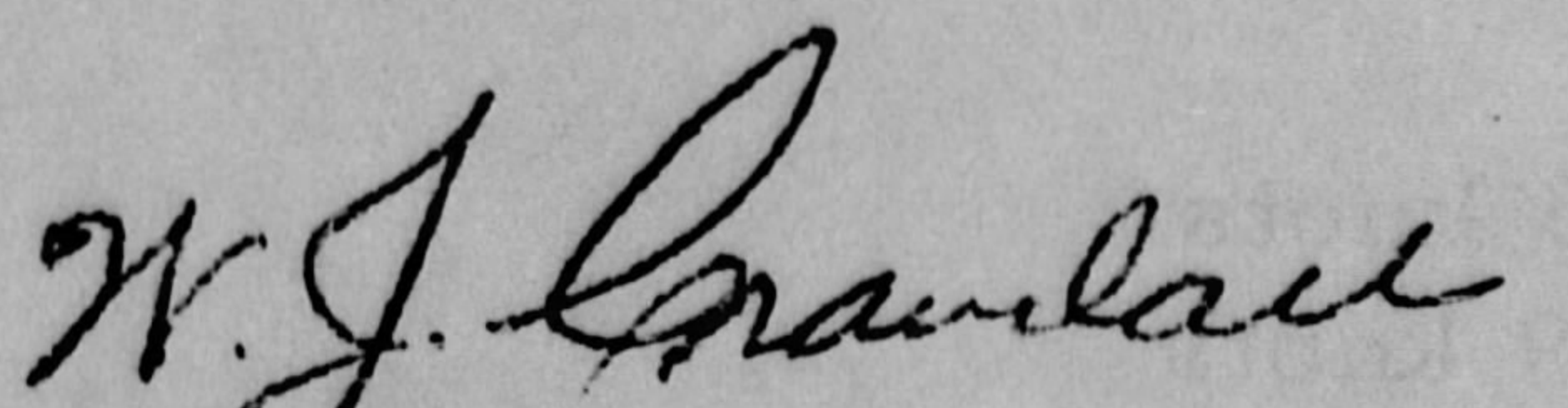
h. Any other unusual activity which might account for the sighting -
None.

i. Interception or Identification Action Taken - None.

j. The [REDACTED] residence is directly in the flight pattern of Love
Field. Reports of heavy air traffic at other times; however, no air-
craft were in the vicinity at time of sighting.

k. Position Title - Base Commander. Based on the facts and information indicated above, it is the opinion of the preparing officer that the observer, [REDACTED] apparently observed some meteorological or astronomical condition.

1. Existence of physical evidence such as materials and photographs: None. The Commander, 745th AC&W Squadron, Duncanville, Texas, was interviewed pertaining to subject sighting and stated that his unit had not had any reports of this sighting, nor had any radar interceptions been made during the date and time that the sighting of the unidentified flying object is alleged to have transpired. The Control Tower Operator, Love Field, Dallas, Texas, advised that on the evening of 16 May 1960, at approximately 2100 hours, an individual contacted him by telephone and related that he had observed an object "flying about" in the sky. He related that he immediately looked for such an object but could see nothing except the Eastern Star (a bright constellation which is visible in this area). The Control Tower Operator stated that he did not enter this incident on the control log because he could see nothing, nor did he obtain the name of the individual who reported sighting the object. [REDACTED] was questioned concerning this reporting and denied reporting the sighting to the Control Tower at Love Field.


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