

MILITARY

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 May 60	2. LOCATION Penns Park, Pennsylvania	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Light reflection</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 29/0220Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE W
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Oval orange light, size of grapefruit. At first the object appeared to be stationary, then it started to move in a westerly heading and grew smaller then larger in size. The object just vanished. Searchlights in area. Low ceiling, broken clouds in area.		11. COMMENTS Light reflection possible cause from searchlights on broken cloud.

**HEADQUARTERS
NEW YORK AIR DEFENSE SECTOR
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey**



**REPLY TO:
ATTN OF:** NYOIN

6 JUN 1960

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Report

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 15, AFR 200-2, the following report of an unidentified flying object sighting is hereby submitted:

a. Description of the object:

- (1) Oval
- (2) Grapefruit
- (3) Orange light
- (4) One
- (5) Not applicable
- (6) None
- (7) None
- (8) None
- (9) None

b. Description of course of object:

- (1) The object just appeared and was sighted by the observer who was travelling in an automobile at the time of the sighting.
- (2) 10 degrees from the horizon.
- (3) 30 degrees from the horizon.

(4) At first the object appeared to be stationery, then it started to move in a westerly heading and grew smaller then larger in size.

(5) The object just vanished.

(6) The object was visible for approximately five minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

(1) Ground visual

(2) None

(3) Not applicable

d. Time and date of sighting:

(1) 0220Z 29 May 1960

(2) Dark

e. Location of Observer:

Penns Park, Pennsylvania—approximately 20 miles Northwest of Philadelphia, Pa.

f. Identifying Information on Observer:

(1) Not applicable

(2) [REDACTED], Captain, USN, United States Naval Air Development Center, Johnsville, Pa., [REDACTED] of the Aviation Acceleration Development Laboratory. Estimated to be completely reliable.

g. Weather and Winds—Aloft Conditions at Time and Place of Sighting:

(1) Overhead clear—50% cloud cover 3000 to 7000 feet ceilings to the South of observer toward the object.

(2) Winds aloft:

Surface: 090/12

6000': 160/15

10000': 170/20

16000': 170/20

20000': 180/25

30000': 190/25

50000': 230/35

(3) Ceiling: 1500' to 4000' broken

(4) Visibility: 10 miles

(5) Cloud cover: approximately 50%

(6) None

(7) None

h. None

i. None

j. Unknown

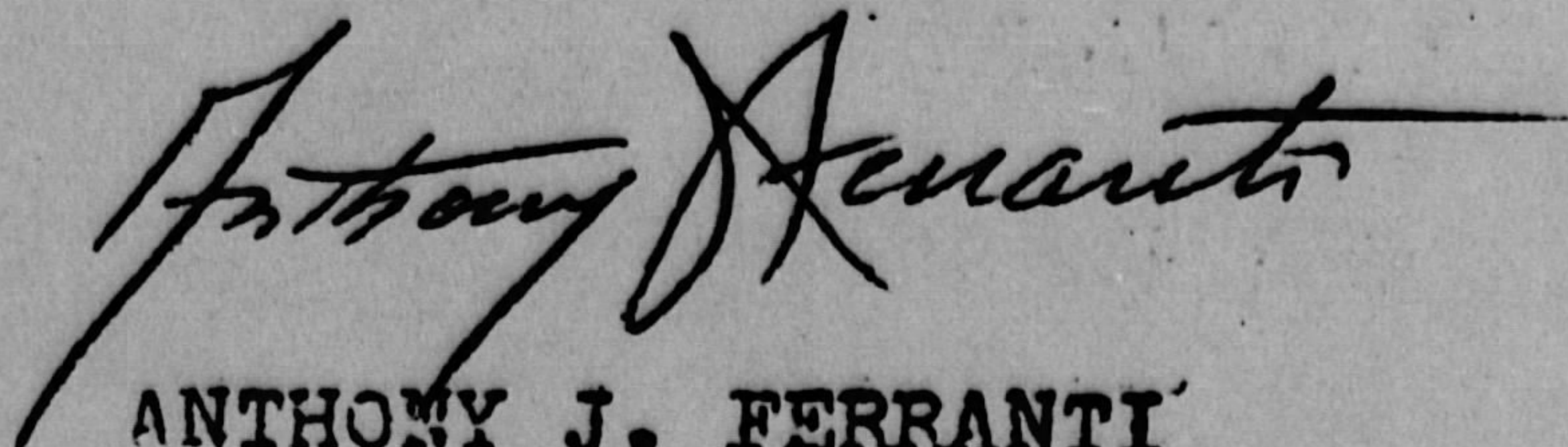
k. William S. Barnett, Captain, USAF, Chief, Intelligence Division,
New York Air Defense Sector, McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey.

Preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting indicated two possibilities: A check of the air traffic flying in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area indicates that the observer may have seen jet exhaust of an aircraft climbing out after takeoff and going away from the observer. The ceilings were approximately 1500 feet in the Philadelphia area and any jet (commercial or otherwise) entering the cloud cover would necessarily disappear. The other possibility was brought out in my conversation with the observer. He noted some advertising searchlights shining in the Philadelphia area approximately at the time of the sighting but did not think that this caused the UFO. However, if the cloud cover over the searchlight area was lower than that over the observer, it is felt that the circling light

could have caused a reflection on the clouds. Since the cloud cover was broken the light reflection could have given the observer the orange light and size and shape of the object. No further information is available at this time.

1. None

FOR THE COMMANDER:



ANTHONY J. FERRANTI

Major, USAF

Director of Administrative Services