

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 Sep 60		2. LOCATION Morroco		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 _____ GMT 2058Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-5 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one			
		9. COURSE SSW			
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, orange-red object with straight flight path, traveling about 6 times faster than Echo I.				11. COMMENTS All characteristics point to sighting of meteor.	

Ltr, 3922 CSG (B000), 19 Sep 1960, Unidentified Flying Object

1st Ind (DIC)

28 SEP 1960

Hq 16AF, APO 283, New York, N. Y.

TO: SAC (DI)

Forwarded for your information, in accordance with paragraph 15, AFR 200-2.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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12 OCT 1960

TO: ATIC, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. Information noted this headquarters and forwarded as required by AFR 200-2.
2. 16AF has been notified that all future UFO Reports will be transmitted by teletype.

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

BDCO

19 Sep 1960

SUBJECT:

Unidentified Flying Object

TO:

16AF

Under the provisions of paragraph 15, AFR 200-2, dated 14 Sep 1959, subject: Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO), the following report is submitted:

a. Description of Object:

(1) Round

(2) Between softball and basketball

(3) Orange-red

(4) One

(5) NA

(6) None

(7) None

(8) Heard sound similar to high-flying multi-engine aircraft. First noticed sound on sighting object and noticed sound stopped when object disappeared.

(9) None

b. Description of Course of Object:

(1) Looking South watching Echo I, when Echo I disappeared still looking when noticed over left shoulder the UFO.

(2) Over left shoulder, angle unknown, from heading 020⁰.

(3) About 45⁰ above horizon on heading 200⁰.

(4) Straight flight path.

(5) Instantly.

(6) Visible 3-5 seconds, traveling about 6 times faster than

Echo I.

c. Manner of Observation:

(1) Naked eye.

(2) NA.

(3) NA.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) 2058, 15 Sep 1960.

(2) Night.

e. Location of Observer: 3323N 0735W.

f. Identifying Information on Observer:

(1) [REDACTED] 56, 3922d CSG, Box [REDACTED], APO 30, NY, NY., Chief, Civil Engineering Section, Engineering Division, reliable, has been an engineer entire life, worked for USAF since 1954, previously for Army Engineers.

(2) NA.

g. Weather and Winds:

(1) Clouds to west to about 45° above horizon, rest clear.

(2) Surface - calm

6000' - 260/35

10,000' - 270/35

16,000' - 280/35

20,000' - 280/45

30,000' - 300/40

50,000' - 310/35

80,000' - none available.

(3) Clear - none.

(4) 5 miles haze.

(5) 2/8 cirrus.

(6) None.

(7) 3° C spread.

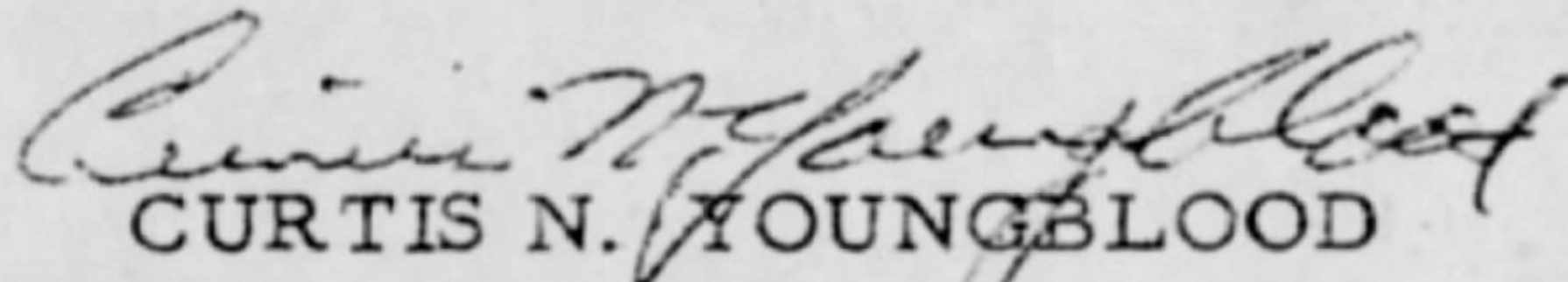
h. None.

i. None.

j. An L-20 and T-33 aircraft were in the local area during the period of the observation. They were under the control of GCA, and remained in the traffic pattern..

k. Observer has been observing Echo I since 26 August 1960. Noted that the Echo I passed overhead at 22 minutes earlier each night. He noticed no UFO during his previous night watches. The speed of the UFO was estimated to be 6 times as fast as Echo I. The UFO was also observed by Mrs. [REDACTED] and a neighbor, Mrs. [REDACTED].

l. None.


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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

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Location Morroco

Date 15 Sep 1960 Hour (Z) 2058Z

WX Clear, 5 mi vis in haze, winds westerly at 0-45 knots, scattered clouds

Description Round, size of object between softball and basketball, orange-red, heard sound similar to high-flying multi-engine acft, first seen over left shoulder while looking south-20 deg. azimuth, last seen at about 45 deg elev at 200 deg, obj moved straight, viewed for 3-5 seconds

Direction of Motion SSW

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) Ruled out

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) Prob meteor

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) None

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) -----

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. Ruled out

Other Insuff data-1 witness

Evaluation of Source Reliability Poss reliable

Analysis and Conclusions: There were no satellites reported to be reentering this time. Although the elevation of the object was not reported when it was first seen, the duration reported suggests that the object was moving at meteoric speeds. The witness reports that the speed of the object was about 6 times that of sound. If this was true, the object should have been in view much longer than that reported. The object observed was probably a very low meteor that made the noise heard, and was either observed to pass out of the earth's atmosphere, or burned out in the dense lower air. However, there was only one witness to the phenomena, therefore this