

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 Oct 60		2. LOCATION Leominster, Massachusetts		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☒ Probably Astronomical Meteor ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0730 GMT 21/1130Z		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 Falling	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object trailing intense smoke hit ground and burst into flame in vicinity of Gardner-Athol, Massachusetts. Request for additional information not answered.				11. COMMENTS Object has characteristics of meteor. Possibility does exist of decay of satellite, however there should be some indication of red color in this event. In absence of red it is more probable that this was a meteor.	

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DE RJEZSJ 31

M 211825Z ZEX

FM HERCONAC MITCHEL AFB NY

TO RJEZHQ/COFS USAF WASH DC

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZBF/AF CAMBRIDGE RESEARCH CENTER LG HANSCOM FLD BEDFOGD MASS
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UNCLAS OIN 011925.

FOR AFCIN. SUBJECT UFO REPORT. THE FOLLOWING UFO REPORT WAS
RECEIVED AT 1146 HOURS, 21 OCT 60 FROM MR. [REDACTED], G-2, HQ
FIRST ARMY, N.Y. BY TELEPHONE. HE STATED THAT A MR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MASS REPORTS THAT POLICE
OFFICER [REDACTED] DEPT, SIGHTED AN
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT AT 0730 TODAY. HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE
OBJECT BUT STATED IT WAS TRAILING INTENSE SMOKE AND HIT THE GROUND
AND BURST INTO FLAME IN VICINITY OF GARDNER-ATHOL, MASS. THIS IS
50 TO 60 MILES WEST OF FT. DEVENS, MASS. THE ARVARD CIVIL
DEFENSE AREA WAS NOTIFIED BY MR. [REDACTED].

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S
SERVICES

JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED									
SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER													
BOOK 2 405/60 25-57 20X 1960 OCT 25 20 43													
PRECEDENCE		TYPE MSG (Check)		ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO								
ACTION	ROUTINE	BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE								
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ATTIC W-P AFB TO: GREATER FLD, N. H. <i>RJEZGJ</i> INFO: HEDCONAC, MITCHEL AFB, N. Y. <i>RJEZSJ</i> <i>UNCLAS/AFCIN-4E2X</i> <i>10-3124-E</i> MSG OIN O11925, DTD 21 OCT 60, FR HEDCONAC REPORTS SIGHTING OF AN UFO WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY HIT THE GROUND IN VICINITY OF GARDNER AND ATHOL, MASS. THE WITNESS OF THE OBJ IS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] REQ AN INVESTIGATION BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 59, AND IF POSSIBLE ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF AN OBJ HIT THE GROUND. IF THE OBJ IS LOCATED, IT IS TO BE FWD TO ATIC, ATTN: AFCIN-4E2x, ALONG WITH ALL AVAILABLE INFO.					<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="font-size: x-small;">DATE</td> <td style="font-size: x-small;">TIME</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">24</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1350</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="font-size: x-small;">MONTH</td> <td style="font-size: x-small;">YEAR</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">OCT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1960</td> </tr> </table>	DATE	TIME	24	1350	MONTH	YEAR	OCT	1960
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SYMBOL		TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if required)		SIGNATURE									
AFCIN-4E2x		Major Robert J. Friend		 PHILIP G. EVANS Colonel, USAF Deputy for Science and Components									
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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION			UNCLASSIFIED										