

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Oct 61		2. LOCATION Grand Rapids, Michigan		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 _____ GMT 280025Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2-3		9. COURSE E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 2-3 large flashing lights observed hovering to S moving slowly E in view for 20 min. Lights gave appearance of rotation or blinking.				11. COMMENTS Winds fm W at 25-30 knots. Motion of objt indicates balloon observation and winds conform to direction of movement. Origin of balloon launchings and time not obtained however there is in no info in report that conflicts with evaluating this case as probable balloon sighting.	

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ACTION: CIN-17

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CF-1, SARS-3 (24)

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FM DAUDS DULUTH MUNI APRT MINN

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJE AH/30 AIR DIV TRUAX FIELD WISC

RJEDSQ/ATIC WPAFB OHIO

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THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED:

A (1) NOT DISCERNABLE

(2) NOT DISCERNABLE

(3) WHITE LIGHTS

(4) TWO OR THREE

(5) UNKNOWN

(6) TWO OR THREE LARGE FLASHING LIGHTS

(7) NO

(8) NO

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(9) OBJECT STOOD STILL FOR APPROX TEN MINUTES

B (1) NOTICED LIGHTS IN SKY

(2) 25 TO 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON / 180 DEGREES AZ

(3) 170 DEGREES AZ

(4) SEE 5 BELOW

(5) SLOWLY MOVED EAST AND DESCENDED BEHIND TREES.

(6) TWENTY MINUTES

C (1) VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) NONE

D (1) 28/0025Z

(2) NIGHT

XE (1) 4715N 9332W

(2) SIGHTED THRU MAIN GATE AT GRAND RAPIDS AF STATION.

F SSGT ~~REDACTED~~ 707 RADRON GRAND RAPIDS AFS, MINN

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G UNK OVERCAST

AT HIBBING MINN

S E 8 KNOTS

200/50

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220/30

250/30

260/30

290/50

280/25

CEILING 4000 FEET

VISIBILITY 15 PLUS

CLOUD COVER BROKEN

NO THUNDERSTORMS

H NONE

I NONE

J NONE

K CAPATIN D S NISBETT SENIOR DIRECTOR DUADS NO COMMENT

L NONE

M LOOKED LIKE TWO HUGE BRIGHT HEADLIGHTS REVOLVING OR
BLINKING SEPERATLY

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