

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10 August 1962		2. LOCATION Greenville, Maine		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☒ Was Aircraft Refuel Opr ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 10/0815Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE North	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Unblinking reflective light observed by civilian pilot fm ground. Movement at very great speed. Color yellow white. No sound, tail or trail. Appeared in South on course of 360dgr without deviation. Less than 20 sec in sight.				11. COMMENTS A/C fm Loring AFB performing refueling operation in area at this time.	

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UNCLAS DCOI 22328. OSAF FOR SAFOI, CSAF FOR AFCIN, AFSC FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION, 8AF DIO. THIS REPORT SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2, 20 JULY 62. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT BY CIVILIAN OBSERVER AT GREENVILLE MAINE ON 10 AUGUST 1962, TENTATIVELY EVALUATED AS REFUELING EXERCISE OR LOW ALTITUDE INTERCEPTOR EXERCISE. A. (1) OBSERVER REPORTED THAT THE OBJECT WAS NOT DISTINGUISHABLE IN SHAPE FROM THE STARS SURROUNDING IT. (2) OBSERVER WAS HESITANT TO COMPARE SIZE OF THE OBJECT TO A KNOWN OBJECT, BUT SUBMITTED THAT, AT ARMS LENGTH, IT APPROXIMATED A BASEBALL. (3) UNBLINKING REFLECTIVE LIGHT OF SLIGHTLY LESS INTENSITY THAN THE BRIGHTEST STARS. DESCRIBED

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BY THE OBSERVER AS "YELLOWISH WHITE, SOMEWHAT LIKE THE STARS". (4) ONE. (5) NOT APPLICABLE. (6) THE OBJECT WAS CHIEFLY DISTINGUISHABLE BY THE CLARITY OF ITS YELLOW-WHITE REFLECTIVE LIGHT AND ALSO BY ITS MOVEMENT AT APPARENTLY VERY GREAT SPEEDS.. (7) NO TAIL, TRAIL, OR EXHAUST WAS OBSERVED. (8) OBSERVER REPORTED THAT THE OBJECT EMITTED NO SOUND. (9) NOT APPLICABLE. B. (1) OBSERVER FIRST NOTICED THE OBJECT BECAUSE OF ITS MOVEMENT AT VERY GREAT SPEED. (2) OBSERVER FIRST NOTICED THE OBJECT "IN THE SOUTH SKY" AT 10 O'CLOCK. QIT THEN MOVED DIRECTLY OVERHEAD, TRAVELLING AT ALL TIMES AT AN APPROXIMATE AZINUTH OF 360 DEGREES TRUE. (3) OBSERVER DID NOT WITNESS OBJECT'S DISAPPEARANCE BECAUSE HE RAN INDOORS TO INFORM HIS WIFE. (4) OBJECT APPEARED IN THE SOUTHERN SKY AND FOLLOWED A COURSE OF 360 DEGREES TRUE WITHOUT DEVIATION. (5) OBSERVER WAS INDOORS AT PROBABLE TIME OF OBJECT'S DISAPPEARANCE. IT IS PRESUMED THAT DISSAPPEARANCE COINCIDED WITH LINE OF SIGHT CAPABILITY AT THE OBSERVATION POINT. (6) OBJECT WAS VISIBLE FOR ABOUT TEN SECONDS, MOVING FROM THE SOUTHERN SKY TO A POINT DIRECTLY ABOVE THE OBSERVER. AT THIS POINT OBSERVER RAN INDOORS. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE OBJECT TOOK AN EQUAL TIME TO DISAPPEAR OVER THE NORTHERN HORIZON. WHEN THE OBSERVER RETURNED TEN TO TWELVE SECONDS LATER, IT HAD DISAPPEARED. C. (1)

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GROUND VISUAL. (2) NO OPTICAL AIDS EMPLOYED. (3) NOT APPLICABLE.

D. (1) 0815 ZULU, 10 AUGUST 1962. (2) NIGHT. E. OBSERVER WAS
LOCATED AT 45 DEGREES 27 FEET NORTH AND 69 DEGREES 32 FEET NORTH AT
UPPER WILSON POND, FOUR MILES EAST OF GREENVILLE, MAINE. ~~REDACTED~~

~~REDACTED~~, APPROXIMATELY 55 YEARS OF AGE, EMPLOYED BY THE MOSSHEAD GAS
SERVICE COMPANY, GREENVILLE, MAINE. G. (1) OBSERVER REPORTED THAT
THE SKY WAS CLEAR AND THAT THERE WAS A SLIGHT BREEZE. HE NOTICED NO
MOON. HE BELIEVES THAT GROUND TEMPERATURE WAS ABOUT 60 DEGREES. (2)
WEATHER INFORMATION FROM CARIBOU, MAINE THROUGH LORING AFB. WINDS:

SURFACE	NNE	10 KNOTS
2000 FEET	70 DEGREES	20
5000	50	15
10000	110	5
16000	220	15
20000	220	25
30000	230	60
50000	230	30
60000	230	15

(3) 1900 FEET. (4) OVERCAST. (5) NOT AVAILABLE. (6) NONE.

(7) 52 DEGREES. H. NOT APPLICABLE. I. NOT APPLICABLE. J. OPERATIONS

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DISPATCH, LORING AIR FORCE BASE CONFIRMS THIS OFFICE'S INFORMATION THAT THERE WAS AN EXERCISE IN PROGRESS ON 10 AUGUST 1962. SEVERAL AIRCRAFT FROM LORING WERE ENGAGED IN REFUELING OPERATIONS OVER THE OBSERVATION POINT DURING THE NIGHT AND A NUMBER OF AIR DEFENSE COMMAND INTERCEPTORS WERE ENGAGED IN LOW ALTITUDE OPERATIONS DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN THE AREA OF THE OBSERVATION POINT. K. REPORT PREPARED BY 2LT PETER A. RUBSTEIN, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, 4035TH STRATEGIC WING(SAC), DOW AIR FORCE BASE MAINE. BASED ON THE LETTER SUBMITTED BY THE OBSERVER, [REDACTED] TO THE BANGOR DAILY NEWS, AND SUBSEQUENTLY TURNED OVER TO DOW AFB AUTHORITIES, IN ADDITION TO EXTENSIVE INTERVIEWS WITH THE OBSERVER AND OFFICIALS AT DOW AND LORING AIR FORCE BASES, IT IS CONCLUDED THAT WHILE THE OBSERVER IS BY REASON OF PAST EXPERIENCE AS A CIVILIAN PILOT A BETTER THAN AVERAGE SOURCE, NONETHELESS, AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES THAT THE PHENOMENON OBSERVED IN ALL PROBABILITY EITHER A REFUELING OPERATION OR LOW ALTITUDE INTERCEPTOR EXERCISE. (1) NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE EXISTS TO CORROBORATE THE OBSERVER'S REPORT.

BT NOTE: Adv cy del to DIA.

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