

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18-24 September 1962		2. LOCATION Hawthorne, New Jersey		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 various		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION varied		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS varied w/report		9. COURSE ---	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Letter from NICAP member revealing that sightings occurred in New Jersey area in and around Hawthorne. See letter.				11. COMMENTS Report received in form of letter giving various alleged sightings in area during 18-24 September. Information second hand. Insufficient data for analysis.	

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Clifton, New Jersey
October 11, 1962

Major Carl R. Hart, USAF
UFO Project Information Officer
Department of the Air Force
Office of the Secretary
United States Air Force
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Major Hart:

On September 20, 21, 23 and 24, 1962 an unidentified flying object was seen over Hawthorne, New Jersey. On the night of September 21 UFOs were also seen over Garret Mountain in Clifton, New Jersey.

On September 20, 21 and 24 a UFO was seen over the Samuel Braen, Inc. stone quarry in Hawthorne by the night watchman and various Hawthorne policemen in the early morning hours of those dates. I talked to most of the witnesses to these sightings and they said the object suddenly appeared, moved toward them, hovered for about twenty minutes, oscillated and changed to three or four different colors during this time and finally sped away. It made no sound. This happened on each of the above dates.

On September 23 a Mrs. Lee and her son, 104 Emeline Drive, Hawthorne, saw, in the afternoon, a silver, cigar-shaped object which suddenly appeared and sped toward them and then turned at a right angle and sped away at a fantastic speed.

On the night of September 24 two Hawthorne policemen sighted an object similar to the one described in paragraph II.

I understand that the Air Force is aware of these sightings. I request that you inform me of the AF evaluation of these sightings. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

John Laval
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Sky Lights PART OF NEW JERSEY

At 5:30 a. m. on 18 September 1962, Officers James Dugan of Neptune City, New Jersey, saw two strange "gigantic" lights in the sky. He spotted the lights while driving in his patrol car, then raced to headquarters where Officer Lawrence Leming was on desk duty. Leming went outside the building with Dugan and also saw the lights. Dugan estimated they were "about a mile apart," and hovered over the borough for a while. When Leming saw them they were traveling fast and heading out over the ocean, where they eventually disappeared.

KNOWLEDGE OF THE AREA Disc Illuminates Area (LAWRENCE)

William Stock of Lodi, N. J., was making a routine check of the grounds at Sam Braen's Quarry, 662 Goffle Road, on Thursday, 20 September, when he sighted a round, disc-shaped object suspended in the air which lighted up the entire area. When he beamed the lights of his jeep at the object, it bobbed up and down and from side to side and then turned around. "As it turned around, I could see what appeared to be headlights. It then disappeared very fast," Stock said. No further details, but this is one more of many sightings of objects near water deposits.

20 SEPT, 1962

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Dear Mr. Laval:

The sightings to which you refer in your letter of October 11th have never been officially reported to the Air Force according to our files. Therefore we are not able to effect an evaluation.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. LOOKADOO
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