

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 December 1962		2. LOCATION Arlington, Massachusetts		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 01/2025Z		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 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object shaped like a frankfurter appeared to be tumbling end over end in straight flight from 85 dgr elevation in NW to 30 dgr elevation in SW. Red color. Observer attempted to get telescope but could not focus in time. Disappearance behind trees. Sighting in late afternoon.				11. COMMENTS Probably a high flying jet. Sun was low in West. Observation toward West. Red color attributed to sun.	

5 December 1962

CWOB

Unidentified Flying Objects

AFSC (FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB
Ohio

1. The attached reports are forwarded for your information.
2. Follow-up investigation through all available sources failed to reveal any further information than that reported by the observers.

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1. AFCRC 0-146, 29 Nov 62
2. AFCRC 0-146, 1 Dec 62

REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS		Date
The word "negative" in reply to any numbered item of the following report format will indicate that all logical leads were developed without success. The phrase "not applicable" (N/A) will indicate that the question does not apply to the sighting being investigated.		
IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF OBSERVER(S)		
Civilian (Name, age, mailing address, occupation) ██████████ 15½ ██████████ ARLINGTON, MASS PHONE ██████████ STUDENT ARLINGTON H.S.		
Military (Name, grade, organization, duty, and estimate of reliability) N/A		
LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S)		
Exact latitude and longitude of each observer, or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark BACKYARD OF RESIDENCE AT ██████████, ARLINGTON MASS.		
TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING		
Zulu time-date group of sighting 2025Z 1 DEC 62	Light conditions (use one of the following terms: Night, day, dawn, dusk) 1525L CLEAR AFTERNOON	
DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT(S)		
Size compared to a known object (use one of the following terms: Head of a pin, pea, dime, nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit, or basketball) held in the hand at about arms length		
Shape Oblong	Color Red	Number 1
Formation, if more than one N/A		
Any discernible features or details About the size of a 1/16" SCREW. Shaped like a frankfort - not quite as long. Appeared to be about 30,000' - guess.		
Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s) NONE		
Sound, if heard, describe sound NONE		
Other pertinent or unusual features Appeared to be tumbling end over end.		
DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S)		
What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)? VISUAL SIGHTING		
Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object(s) when first observed 85° NW OF OBSERVER		
Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object(s) upon disappearance 30° SW OF OBSERVER		
Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s) Straight Flight Path; no maneuvers		

Manner of disappearance of object(s)

Disappeared behind tree.

Length of time in sight

3-5 mins. Observer spent 2 mins of time getting telescope from house.

MANNER OF OBSERVATION

Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar)

Ground-visual

Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, and so forth) used and description thereof

Attempted to see object with 30 power telescope. caught glimpses of object with telescope but could not focus in time to clearly see

If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station. object.

N/A

WEATHER AND WINDS-ALOFT. CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS

Observer(s) account of weather conditions

Clear

Report from nearest AWS or U. S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at surface

310/15

Ceiling

CAVVU

Visibility

15+

Amount of cloud cover

0

6,000'

30,000' 290/25

10,000' 300/15

50,000'

16,000'

80,000'

20,000' 270/30

Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located

NONE

Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting

NO TEMPERATURE INVERSION. +12C at surface.

Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives)

NONE

Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting

Observer saw no aircraft in the area.

Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting(s)

Airframe Officer - Probably a high flying jet - Sun was low at time and red reflection from sun would explain coloring.

Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs

NONE