

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 July 1963		2. LOCATION Plainview, L I, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Lens Flare</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>545PM</u> GMT <u>15/2045Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Photo		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS three (3)		9. COURSE Photo	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Photo with 3 inch TX and 1½ inch finder taken of object in preparation for photo of eclipse. Photos forwarded for analysis.				11. COMMENTS Photo analysis revealed that the principal object in question was a lens flare, light resulting from inter-reflection between the lens surfaces. Other marks were attributed to water spots and scratches on the negative.	

HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



22 July 1963

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: UFO Photographs, Mr. [REDACTED]

TO: Hq USAF SAF-OI 3b (Mrs. Wells)
Wash 25 DC

1. Attached is a copy of a letter to FTD from Mr. [REDACTED] explaining the circumstances associated with his photographing a UFO. The pictures are also attached in order that you can return them to Mr. [REDACTED].
2. Mr. [REDACTED] numbered the figures on the photographs and identified them as #1, the UFO; #2, dirt and #3, scratches. FTD concludes that #1 is a lens flare, light resulting from interreflection between lens surfaces; #2, water spots on the negative; and #3, scratches.
3. This information is forwarded to you in order that you can answer Mr. [REDACTED]'s letter. The witness's address follows:

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Plainview, L.I., N.Y.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Eric T. de Jonckheere
ERIC T. de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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Cy ltr fm [REDACTED]
dtd 15 Jul 63, w/atc.

This case includes three (3) 8"x10"
photographs, one (1) 7"x10" photograph,
and five (5) 5"x4" negatives.

July 30, 1963

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference your letter, with photographs, to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, now the Foreign Technology Division at Dayton, Ohio.

You numbered the figures on the photographs and identified them as #1, the UFO; #2, dirt and #3, scratches. The Air Force concludes that #1 is a lens flare, light resulting from inter-reflection between lens surfaces; #2, water spots on the negative; and #3, scratches.

Your photographs are attached.

Sincerely,

Attachments
5 Photos

MASTON M. JACKS
Major, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Plainview, L.I., N.Y.

[REDACTED] 9

Air Technical Intelligence Center
Dayton Ohio

Gentlemen:

On July 15 of this year I was taking test exposures for the eclipse that will occur on July 20. I was using a 3 inch telescope with a $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch finder. I attached a 35mm camera to the finder without using the camera's lens. I tried about ten different exposures. The time was about 5:45 PM. The same day I developed the film at normal time. After drying I printed the pictures, now I am very curious what figure No. 1 is. Please notify as quickly as possible what it may be.

I enclose five 5 x 7 photographs . If more information is wanted call area code 516-[REDACTED] 1.

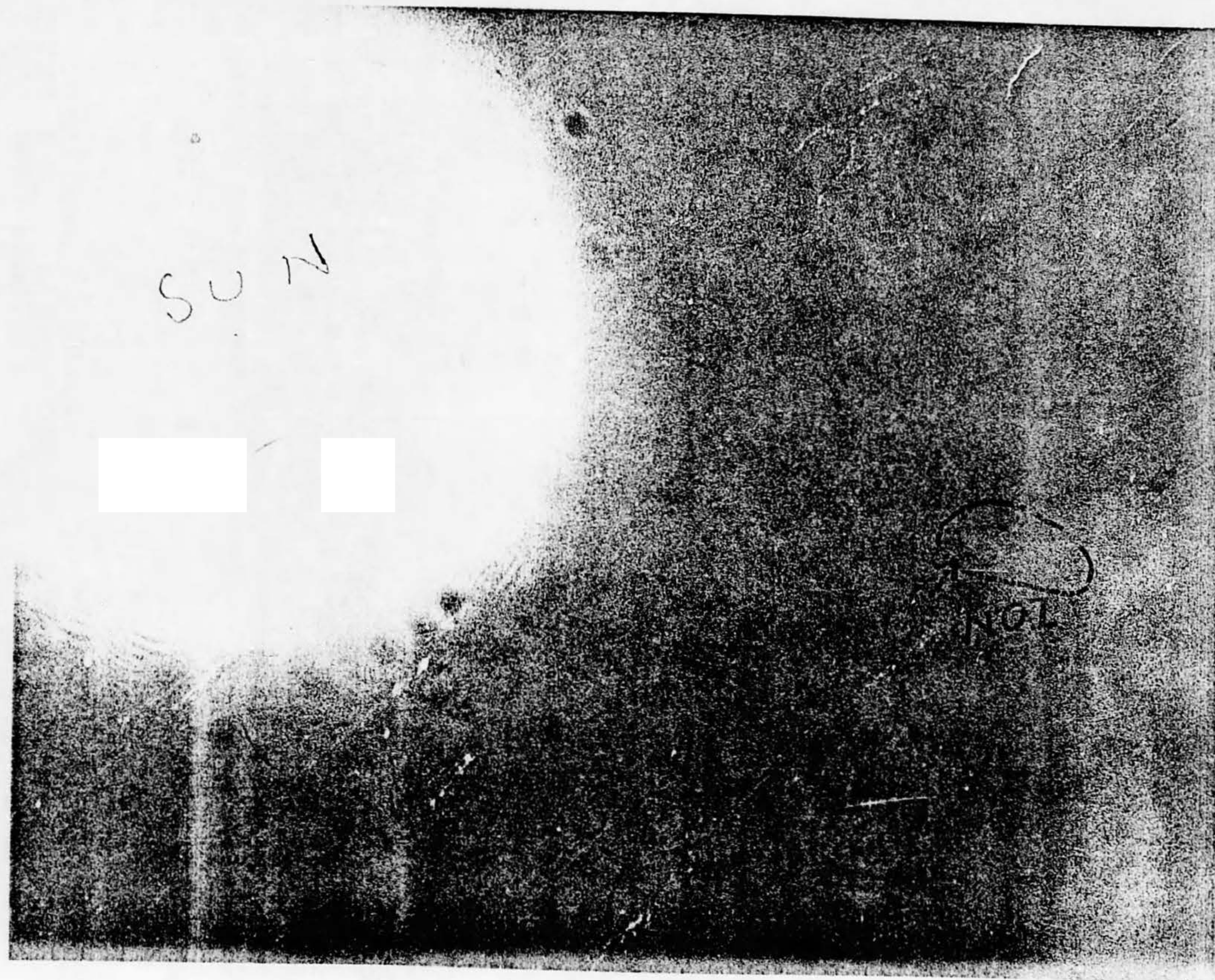
Very truly yours

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