

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 13 Aug 52		2. LOCATION Oakland, California		12. CONCLUSIONS	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP 13 Aug 2110 PDT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian man		☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
9. COURSE		10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Ball of fire - shape.		11. COMMENTS F-94 in area. F-89 in area.	

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>13 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Oakland, Calif.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>2110</i> Zebra: <i>140410</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
☒ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
☒ Normal ☒ Violent		
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: ☐ Blinking ☒ Steady		
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: ☐ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes <i>unk.</i>		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>2874 A. DIV.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)		
☐ Night ☐ Day ☐ Sunrise ☐ Sunset		

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
☐ One Aircraft ☐ More Than One Aircraft		
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION? ☐ Yes ☐ No <i>unk.</i>		

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☒ Yes ☐ No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: _____ Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- ☐ Excellent
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Unreliable
- ☐ Extremely Doubtful
- ☐ Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- ☐ Good
- ☒ Fair
- ☐ Poor
- ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☒ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft

- ☐ Was Astronomical
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

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1. DATE OF OBSERVATION <i>13 Aug 52</i>		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION <i>2100 L</i>		3. STATION OBSERVING <i>Oakland</i>	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000	<i>7</i>	<i>330</i>	50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000	<i>10</i>	<i>300</i>	75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000	<i>20</i>	<i>270</i>	90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☒ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☒ No		
7. CLOUD COVER: <i>Clear</i>				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		<i>15</i> MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					

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2. ATIA
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WPG269

YDD241

XYD233

XDC248

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RR JEPHQ JEDWP JEDEN 333

DE JWPML 217A

R 142143Z ANJ

FM CG 28TH ADD HAMILTON AFB CALIF

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INT HQUSAF WASHDC

JEDWP/AIR TECH INT CEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDN/CG ENT AFB COLO

ZEN/CGWADF HAMILTON AFB CALIF

[REDACTED] 28TH OID 9220 FLYOVRT PD JEDWP/ATTN CLN

ATIAA2C PD

/1/ TWO BALL OF FIRE COMPLETED A CIRCLE OF TEN MILES. AFTER
COMPLETION OF CIRCLE, BALLS OF FIRE HEADED TOWARD HAMILTON AFB CALIF
NO SPEED ALTITUDE OR SOUNDS WER RPORTD.

/2/ 2110 PDT, 13 AUGUST 1952. LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED NOT REPORTED.

/3/ VISUALLY FROM GROUND.

/4/ LOCATED IN CENTRAL OAKLAND, CALIF.

/5/ [REDACTED] NO ADDRESS GIVEN. MR. [REDACTED] REPORTED THIS
INFORMATION TO BASE OPERATIONS, CAPT. BRODEN, AIRDROME OFFICER.

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/6/ CLEAR, VIS. 15 MILES. WINDS AT 5,000 FEET AT 330 DEGRES AT
7 KNOTS, 10,000 FEET AT 300 DEGRES AT 10 KNOTS, 15,000 FEET AT 270
DEGRES AT 20 KNOTS.

/7/ NONE

/8/ NONE

/9/ NONE. [REDACTED], ONE F-94, ON CAP WAS VECTORED BETWEEN
HAMILTON AND OAKLAND, SIGHTED NOTHING UNUSUAL.

/10/ ONE F-39 AND ONE F94 IN LOCAL AREA AT THIS TIME.

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