

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br><u>25 Apr 52</u>                                                         |  | 2. LOCATION<br><u>Thule AFB, Greenland</u>                                                                                                                                                            |  | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Vapor Trails</u><br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |  |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local <u>0100</u><br>GMT <u>25/0500 Z</u>                     |  | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |  | 6. SOURCE<br><u>AF Office and male civilian</u>                                                                                                                                                       |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION                                                            |  | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br><u>1</u>                                                                                                                                                                      |  | 9. COURSE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br><u>Vapor tail shape.</u>                           |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | 11. COMMENTS<br><u>Source unable to distinguish a/c at originating point of vapor trail even with binoculars.</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |



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| AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT                                                                                        |                                      |                              |
| SUBJECT<br>Vapor Trails, Thule Air Base, Greenland                                                                         |                                      |                              |
| AREA REPORTED ON<br>Greenland                                                                                              | Dir/Int, NEAC                        |                              |
| DATE OF REPORT<br>28 April 1952                                                                                            | DATE OF INFORMATION<br>28 April 1952 | EVALUATION<br>C-3            |
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| REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)<br>IR-11-52, Hq., NEAC TWX 6300 dtd 28 Apr 52 |                                      |                              |

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

1. The following message was received from C.O., Thule Air Base, Greenland:

"Lieutenant [REDACTED], operations and Mr. [REDACTED], civilian employee in United States Air Force as Arctic Rescue expert, state they saw vapor trail originating about 30,000 feet above this station approximately 0100 hours, 25 April. This station had daylight at the time of alleged incident. Weather at the time of the incident was clear sky with visibility unlimited. M/Sgt [REDACTED] was weather man at the time of the incident, stated that an aircraft would have to be above 12,000 feet at the time of the alleged incident to create vapor. 1 RPT 1 vapor trail was seen. No RPT no lights similar to the type used on aircraft were seen. [REDACTED] stated he saw vapor trails as they formed but his binoculars failed to reveal any object at the originating point of the vapor trail because of the altitude of the alleged aircraft. One aircraft, Number 5555 was in the pattern approaching this station for landing at the same time as the alleged incident. [REDACTED] stated he saw aircraft 5555, Charlie 54 at the same time that he saw the vapor trail. Captain Edward Nancy Dahlborg was pilot of Charlie 54, Number 5555 and stated he approached this station south to north at 4000 feet. Dahlborg stated he was too low to cause vapor trail and that he flew directly into pattern upon reaching this station. Preliminary inquiries revealed similar incident was alleged to have occurred at this station in January 1952 but was not reported. Evaluation, Charlie 3; action Base Commander notified. Investigation requested and written report follows."

2. Additional information will be submitted upon receipt.

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