

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>13 Aug 52                                                                |  | 2. LOCATION<br>Oakland, California                         |  | 12. CONCLUSIONS                                                                                                                               |  |
| 3. DATA GROUP<br>2110 PDE                                                           |  | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>X Visual                         |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon                |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |  | 6. SOURCE<br>Civilian man                                  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION                                                            |  | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>2                                  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical |  |
| 9. COURSE                                                                           |  | 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br><br>Ball of fire - shape. |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown               |  |
| 11. COMMENTS<br><br>F-94 in area.<br>F-89 in area.                                  |  |                                                            |  |                                                                                                                                               |  |



PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

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

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

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

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

|                                                                                                               |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                     |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft                      |  |  |
| 18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                             |  |  |
| 19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |  |  |
| 20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No       |  |  |



#### 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<br><i>13 Aug 52</i>                                    |                     | 2. TIME OF OBSERVATION<br><i>2100 L</i> |                                                                     | 3. STATION OBSERVING<br><i>Oakland</i> |                        |
| 4. WINDS ALOFT:                                                               |                     |                                         |                                                                     |                                        |                        |
| ALTITUDE<br>(feet)                                                            | VELOCITY<br>(knots) | DIRECTION<br>(degrees)                  | ALTITUDE<br>(feet)                                                  | VELOCITY<br>(knots)                    | DIRECTION<br>(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?<br>(If yes, at what altitude? _____)         |                     |                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |                                        |                        |
| 6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA?<br>(If yes, at what quadrant? _____) |                     |                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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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1. ATIAA  
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3. C. Files

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WPG269

YDD241

XYD233

XDC248

JWPML 243

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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