

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>12 Sep 52                                                                |  | 2. LOCATION<br>Allen, Maryland                                                                                                                                                                        |  | 12. CONCLUSIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local<br>GMT 0230                                             |  | 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 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |  | 6. SOURCE<br>COC observer                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>35 minutes                                              |  | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>1                                                                                                                                                                             |  | 9. COURSE<br>NE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br><br>Greenish-white, red rim. Round shape.          |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | 11. COMMENTS<br><br>Does not coincide with regular releases in area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |



## PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

## I. GENERAL

|                                                        |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. DATE<br>12 SEP 52                                   | 2. LOCATION<br>ALLEN MARYLAND | 3. TIME<br>Local: 2230<br>Zebra: 0230                                                                                                                                           |
| 4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?                |                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                             |
|                                                        |                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye<br><input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                             |
|                                                        |                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Normal<br><input type="checkbox"/> Violent                                                                                                             |
| 9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:                    |                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blinking<br><input type="checkbox"/> Steady                                                                                                 |
| 10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:                           |                               | <input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds<br><input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes                                            |
| 11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 647 ACW MANASSAS, VA.                                  |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |

## II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

|                                                                                                                                                  |                                                          |  |
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| 12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?                                                                                                        |                                                          |  |
| 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Night<br><input type="checkbox"/> Day<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sunset |                                                          |  |

## III. AIRCRAFT DATA

|                                                      |                                                                                          |
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| 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><div style="font-size: 1.2em;">12 Sep 52</div> |  | 2. TIME OF OBSERVATION<br><div style="font-size: 1.2em;">0230Z</div> |  | 3. STATION OBSERVING |  |
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| 4. WINDS ALOFT:    |                     |                        |                    |                     |                        |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| ALTITUDE<br>(feet) | VELOCITY<br>(knots) | DIRECTION<br>(degrees) | ALTITUDE<br>(feet) | VELOCITY<br>(knots) | DIRECTION<br>(degrees) |
| 0                  |                     |                        | 25,000             | 15                  | 020                    |
| 1,000              |                     |                        | 30,000             | 15                  | 360                    |
| 2,000              |                     |                        | 35,000             | 20                  | 340                    |
| 3,000              |                     |                        | 40,000             | 20                  | 320                    |
| 4,000              |                     |                        | 45,000             |                     |                        |
| 5,000              | 20                  | 090                    | 50,000             |                     |                        |
| 6,000              |                     |                        | 55,000             |                     |                        |
| 7,000              |                     |                        | 60,000             |                     |                        |
| 8,000              |                     |                        | 65,000             |                     |                        |
| 9,000              |                     |                        | 70,000             |                     |                        |
| 10,000             | 20                  | 090                    | 75,000             |                     |                        |
| 12,000             |                     |                        | 80,000             |                     |                        |
| 14,000             |                     |                        | 85,000             |                     |                        |
| 16,000             |                     |                        | 90,000             |                     |                        |
| 18,000             |                     |                        | 95,000             |                     |                        |
| 20,000             | 20                  | 030                    | 100,000            |                     |                        |

  

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| 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 |

  

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| 7. CLOUD COVER:<br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           _____ tenths at _____ feet.<br/>           _____ tenths at _____ feet.         </div> <div>           _____ tenths at _____ feet.<br/>           _____ tenths at _____ feet.         </div> </div> | 8. VISIBILITY WAS<br><div style="font-size: 1.2em; text-align: center;">10</div> MILES. |
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9. COMMENTS:



Hq, 647th AC&W Squadron

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

THRU:

16 Sept 52

TO: Chief Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright-Patterson, A.F.B.  
Dayton, Ohio.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*A. E. Cordon*

A. E. CORDON  
Capt, USAF  
Adjutant



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| COUNTRY<br><b>United States</b>                                                                                                    | REPORT NO.                                      | (LEAVE BLANK)            |
| <b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>                                                                                         |                                                 |                          |
| SUBJECT<br><b>Unconventional Flying Object (FLIEHRPT)</b>                                                                          |                                                 |                          |
| AREA REPORTED ON<br><b>Baltimore, Maryland</b>                                                                                     | FROM (Agency)<br><b>617th ACW Squadron</b>      |                          |
| DATE OF REPORT<br><b>15 September 1952</b>                                                                                         | DATE OF INFORMATION<br><b>12 September 1952</b> | EVALUATION<br><b>F-3</b> |
| PREPARED BY (Officer)<br><b>Alexander MacLhoney Jr., 1st Lt., USAF</b>                                                             | SOURCE<br><b>Mr. [REDACTED] and wife</b>        |                          |
| REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)<br><b>Air Force Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952</b> |                                                 |                          |

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.)

A report was received at 0245Z, 12 September 1952, from the Baltimore Ground Observer Corps Filter Center stating that an unconventional flying object had been sighted at 0230Z, 12 September 1952. Object was round with streamers, flashing greenish, white light with red rim, moving northeast at approximately 2,000 feet. Object was observed through field glasses for a period of thirty five (35) minutes during which time the red rim around object grew fainter and object faded altogether. A check of the area of reported sighting was made by this station using all electronic equipment available and no targets were detected.

None

INCL.

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2 cys: Director of Intelligence

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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)

REPORT NO.

647th ACAS Squadron

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1. Object was round with streamers and was flashing greenish white light, with red rim moving in a northeasterly direction at approximately 2,000 feet.
2. Object was sighted at 0230Z, 12 September 1952, and was under observation approximately thirty five (35) minutes.
3. Observation was made visually through field glasses.
4. Observer was located at thirty eight (38) degrees fifteen (15) minutes north latitude and seventy five (75) degrees forty five (45) minutes west longitude.
5. Observation was made by David Kolb, civilian ground observer volunteer, and his wife whose address is Allen, Maryland. Telephone: Salisbury, Maryland 21078. Observer's occupation is reported as salesman in grocery store. Reliability and experience of observer unknown.
6. Sky condition was clear with ten (10) miles visibility in the general area of the sighting. Winds aloft:

|        |     |          |        |     |          |
|--------|-----|----------|--------|-----|----------|
| 5,000  | 090 | 20 knots | 25,000 | 020 | 15 knots |
| 10,000 | 090 | 20 knots | 30,000 | 360 | 15 knots |
| 15,000 | 090 | 20 knots | 35,000 | 340 | 20 knots |
| 20,000 | 030 | 20 knots | 40,000 | 320 | 20 knots |
7. Possibly low level missions being conducted in area of 26th Air Division (Defense).  
*NE spirit* *Wind 90°*  
*= could not be a weather balloon*
8. None.
9. No interception was attempted. Upon receipt of report at 0245Z, 12 September 1952, a check was made on all electronic equipment available and no targets were detected in area of reported sighting. Ground Observation Corps report at 0245Z did not indicate that object was still in sight. Ground Observation Corp was requested to ascertain whether or not object was still in sight. At 0300Z Ground Observation Corp reported that observer had had object in view for thirty five (35) minutes from time of original sighting.
10. No aircraft were being detected by electronic equipment at this station in area of observation at time of sighting, however, low level missions were being conducted in 26th Air Division (Defense) area at time of sighting.

*Alexander MacElhenny Jr.*  
ALEXANDER R. MACELHENNY JR.  
1st Lt., USAF



ACTION

SEP 12 09 56 1952

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1952 SEP 12 07:2

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TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASH DC

JEDWP/AIR TECH INTEL DTR WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO SPGS COLO

[REDACTED] CC 315 PD ATTN JEDWP/ATIAA-2C PD FLYOBRPT PD

REF AFE 200-5 PD

1. ROUND CMA WITH STREAMERS CMA FLASHING GREENISH WHITE LIGHT CMA WITH RED RIM AND MOVING NORTHEAST AT APPROXIMATELY TWO (2) THOUSAND FT
2. SIGHTED AT 0230Z CMA 12 SEPT 52 PD UNDER OBSERVATION APPROX THIRTY FIVE (35) MIN PD
3. VISUAL OBSERVATION FROM SURFACE NO ELECTRONIC EQUIP USED PD FIELD GLASSES USED PD
4. THIRTY EIGHT DEGREES FIFTEEN MIN NORTH CMA SEVENTY FIVE DEGREES FORTY FIVE MIN WEST PD OBJECT SIGHTED AT QUEEN JIG ONE ONE EIGHT CMA EIGHT MILES EAST OF OBSERVER PD
5. OBSERVATION MADE BY DAVID KOLB AND WIFE CMA CIVILIAN GROUND OBSERVER VOLUNTEER PD ADDRESS CMA ALLEN CMA MARYLAND PD PHONE CMA



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SALISBURY CMA MD CMA TWO ONE ZERO SEVEN EIGHT PD OCCUPATION CMA  
SALESMAN CMA GROCERY STORE PD RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE OF OBSERVER  
UNKNOWN PD

6. WEATHER CMA CLEAR CMA VISIBILITY TEN MILES CMA TEMPERATURE SIXTY  
SEVEN CMA DEW POINT FIFTY FOUR CMA ALTIMETER THREE ZERO TWO ONE PD  
WINDS ALOFT CMA

5000 FT FROM 090 DEGREES AT TWENTY KNOTS  
10000 FT FROM 090 DEGREES AT TWENTY KNOTS  
15000 FT FROM 090 DEGREES AT TWENTY FIVE KNOTS  
20000 FT FROM 030 DEGREES AT TWENTY KNOTS  
25000 FT FROM 020 DEGREES AT FIFTEEN KNOTS  
30000 FT FROM 360 DEGREES AT FIFTEEN KNOTS  
35000 FT FROM 340 DEGREES AT TWENTY KNOTS  
40000 FT FROM 320 DEGREES AT TWENTY KNOTS

7. POSSIBLY LOW LEVEL MISSIONS BEING CONDUCTED IN AREA OF 26 TH ADIV

8. NONE PD

9. NO INTERCEPTION ATTEMPTED PD

10. NO AIRCRAFT WERE BEING DETECTED BY ELECTRONIC EQUIP AT THIS STATION  
IN AREA OF OBSERVATION AT TIME OF SIGHTING PD HOWEVER LOW LEVEL MISSIONS  
WERE BEING CONDUCTED IN 26TH ADIV AT TIME OF SIGHTING PD

12/0630Z SEP JEPQW

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