

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8 Jan 54		2. LOCATION Berlin Germany		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2027 GMT 08/1927Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 - 10 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object described as about the brightness of the full moon observed in flight from the NW to the SE. Straight flight. No features, no sound or trail. Speed twice that of jet a/c yet slower than meteor.				11. COMMENTS Meteor speeds consistant with the distance in degrees of arc through which the object traveled. Case evaluated as a meteor sighting.	

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D-24-21-134

29 April 1954

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Objects Near
Blackstone, Virginia
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio
ATTN: ATIAA-2C

1. Transmitted herewith for your information is material identified under inclosures which is pertinent to unidentified flying objects.

2. The inclosed material was furnished this District Office by the Directorate of Special Investigations.

Roberts P. Johnson, Jr.

ROBERTS P. JOHNSON, JR.
Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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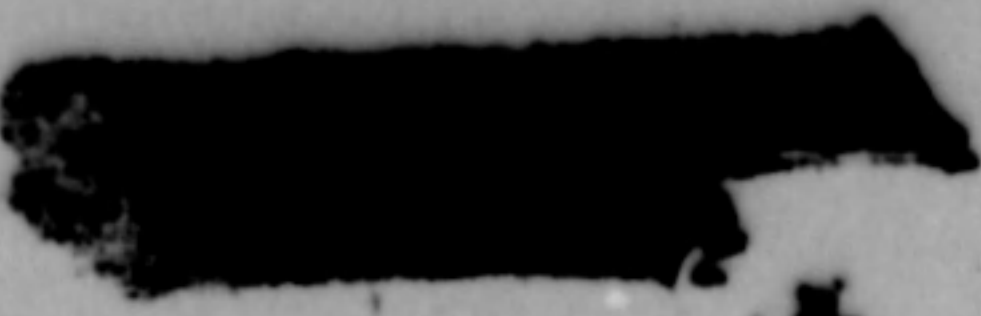
1. Cy of ltr fr DO #21, dtd 11 Feb 54, to Comdr, 405th Fighter Bomber Wg, Langley AFB
2. Extract fr OSI, Hq USAFE Summary of Positive Intell Activities for Month of Jan 54, dtd 18 Feb 54

cc: Dir OSI w/o incls

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The following information was extracted from the OSI, HQ USAF
Summary of Positive Intelligence Activities for the Month of January
1954, dated 18 February 1954:

"4. Unidentified Flying Object Reported over BERLIN:

"On 8 January 1954, a German resident of the American Sector of BERLIN noted an unidentified object, similar in appearance and size to a full moon, traveling in a straight path from northwest to southeast over the American Sector of BERLIN. Time of observation was 2027 hours (local time), and source observed the object for a period of approximately five (5) to seven (7) seconds, at which time it disappeared behind the surrounding buildings. Weather conditions at time of observation were clear sky, a new quarter moon, wind approximately five (5) to ten (10) miles per hour, and temperature 20° to 25°F. Source could give no identifying aerodynamic features but stated that there was no sign of exhaust trail nor could any sound be heard from the object. The object traveled in a straight line at a constant altitude and speed. Source was unable to estimate altitude of the object but stated that speed of the object appeared to be twice that of a jet fighter aircraft but much slower than the speed of a meteor."

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