

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 22 July 1954		2. LOCATION Coronado, California		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0841 GMT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Military, Ret General		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Few Seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Sound over the overcast(at 1500 Ft). Extreme rate of speed. 3 to 4 times speed of jet.				11. COMMENTS Object not observed. Report of sound only. Insufficient data.	



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SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT, Subj: Report of Unidentified Aerial Object  
by Major General ~~██████████~~ U. S. Marine Corps, Retired,  
22 July 1954 at Coronado, California.

~~██████████~~ advised that, while standing in front of his home on Glorietta Boulevard at exactly 0841 hours on this morning, he had heard the sound of an object which appeared to be proceeding slightly southwest at a speed which he estimated to be three to four times the speed of a Jet. General ~~██████████~~ stated that he could make no estimation of the altitude, nor describe the object making the sound, as he did not see it as originally reported, but had heard its sound only. He said that the sound appeared to be above the overcast, which he estimated to be at 1500 feet with 700 feet scattered, and visibility six miles. General ~~██████████~~ further stated that he considered the sound he heard important enough to report, as during his 26 years in Marine aviation, he had become acquainted with the sound of Jets, rockets, and artillery shells, and that the sound he had heard did not seem to be any of these and appeared to come from an object travelling as fast or faster than an artillery shell. General ~~██████████~~ said that immediately upon hearing the sound he went into his house, checked the time by telephone, and then reported the matter telephonically to the Duty Officer at the Naval Air Station.

3. ACTION: No similar reports relative to this matter were received, and no action was taken as a result of this report by this District Office.

ARTHUR T. CAMERON  
Colonel, USAF  
District Commander

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— Air Technical Intelligence Center  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,  
Ohio ATTN: ATIAA-2C - 2

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18th District  
Office of Special Investigation (IG) USAF  
P. O. Box 310, Maywood, California  
17 August 1954

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

18D 24-327

SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Aerial Object by Major General  
WALTER G. FARRELL, U. S. Marine Corps, Retired, 22 July  
1954 at Coronado, California

SPECIAL INQUIRY

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS;  
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS.  
DOD DIR 5200.10

TO: Director, Special Investigations  
Headquarters, USAF  
Washington 25, D. C.

1. SYNOPSIS: On 22 July 1954, Major General [REDACTED], U. S. Marine Corps, Retired, advised that, while standing in front of his home on this date, he had heard the sound of an object in the overcast which indicated that it was proceeding in a southwesterly direction at an extreme rate of speed. [REDACTED] said that during his 26 years in Marine aviation, he had heard nothing comparable to this, and therefore felt the matter should be reported.

2. DETAILS: On 22 July 1954, Mr. [REDACTED], District Intelligence Office, Eleventh Naval District, San Diego, California, telephonically advised Special Agent JAMES H. McNEVIN of this District's San Diego, California, Detachment, that the Operations Duty Officer at North Island Naval Air Station, San Diego, California, had reported that Major General [REDACTED], U. S. Marine Corps, Retired, had contacted Base Operations at the Naval Air Station and reported the sighting of an unidentified aerial object.

On 22 July 1954, Major General [REDACTED], U. S. Marine Corps, Retired, 1132 Glorietta Boulevard, Coronado, California, was interviewed by Special Agent JAMES H. McNEVIN. General

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