

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 - 29 July 1954		2. LOCATION Camp Crook, Rapid City, S.D.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft Shower ☐ Was Astronomical Meteor/ ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 29/0405Z, 0500Z, 0612Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military and Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Varied		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1			
9. COURSE					
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 0500Z - Object observed to fall. Black with exhaust like jet. Several explosions heard, one in the air, one on the ground. Traveled very fast. No sound except for the explosions. 0405Z - Series of phone calls from airlines dispatcher and Rapid City Filter Center to ACW Site. 0621Z - Calls indicated 50 - 100 objects over Rapid City. A/C scrambled for identification.				11. COMMENTS Scrambled a/c indicated meteor shower in progress. Thin clouds at 18,000 and 20,000 causing distortion in vision.	

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NO UNCLASSIFIED REPLY OR REF IF DTG IS QUOTED

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FM COMDR 740 AC&W SQDN ELLSWORTH AFB SDAK 291615Z

TO COMDR 29 ADIV GREAT FALLS AFB MONT

COMDR CENTRAL ADF GRANDVIEW AFB MO

COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

COMDR ATIC WPAFB OHIO

HQS USAF WASH DC

ACTION

29/0500Z
RAPID CITY
1. Atia S. D.
2. Atia
3. Atia-2
4. R. S. L.

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CITE 740 TAC G-207.

AT 290405Z A SERIES OF CALLS FROM THE DISPATCHER JAYRYSTERN AIRLINES AND THE RAPID CITY FILTER CENTER WERE RECEIVED BY THIS ORGANIZATION IN REGARDS TO UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS IN THE AREA. AT 0500Z MISTER [REDACTED] CAMP CROOK SOUTH DAKOTA SAW OBJECT FALL 12 MILES SOUTH OF CITY. OBJECT FELL GRADUALLY AND WAS TRAVELING EAST TO WEST, VERY FAST, ABOUT THE SIZE OF AN AIRCRAFT. MISTER [REDACTED] SAID OBJECT EXPLODED ONCE IN AIR AND ONCE OVER OR ON THE GROUND. OBJECT WAS BLACK WITH EXHAUST LIKE JET AIRCRAFT. THERE WAS NO SOUND EXCEPT FOR EXPLOSIONS. REPORTS RECEIVED AT 0621Z STATED THERE WERE FROM 50 TO 100 OVER RAPID CITY. PILOTS WHO WERE SCRAMBLED FOR THESE OBJECTS BELIEVE THESE TO BE CAUSED BY THIN LAYER OF CLOUDS 18A TO 22A AND LARGE AMOUNT OF FALLING STARS IN THE AREA. THIS ORGANIZATION WILL INVESTIAGE.

20/2045Z

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