PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
20 October 1957

2. LOCATION
Washington, D.C.

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local 0025
GMT 20/0525Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
x☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar
☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes.
x☐ No

6. SOURCE
Civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
brief

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
one

9. COURSE
NW

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING
Bright light descending toward the NW horizon. Object was seen briefly glowing brightly and leaving a trail like a Roman candle. Much like a bright star except for the trail.

11. COMMENTS
Earth now intersecting Orionid shower. Probably meteor.

12. CONCLUSIONS
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☐x Probably Astronomical (Meteors)
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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UNCLASSIFIED FROM AFCIN 34656

THE FOLLOWING UFOB SIGHT WAS RECEIVED AT ØØ45 LOCAL FROM MR.

[redacted] PLACE, WASHINGTON, D.C. MR. [redacted] STATED

WHILE AT THE CORNER OF 13TH STREET AND MISSOURI AVENUE, WASHINGTONGN

D.C., HE OBSERVED A BRIGHT LIGHT DESCENDING TOWARD THE NORTHWEST

HORIZON. OBJECT WAS SEEN BRIEFLY GLOWING BRIGHTLY AND LEAVING

A TRAIL LIKE A ROMAN CANDLE. OBJECT WAS SIGHTED AT ØØ25 LOCAL.

OBSERVER FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS OBJECT AS MUCH LIKE A BRIGHT

STAR BUT WITH A TRAIL THAT REMINDED HIM OF FIREWORKS RATHER THAN

A FALLING STAR.

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No reports of anything unusual

(See p. 458-462 Stallings, Robertson's Astro

Ord. Meteor (Earth and interplanetary Orbital meteor shower.

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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
20 October 1957	Dayton, Ohio	☒ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1140 GMT 20/1640Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one **9. COURSE**	☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

A very shiny object was moving slowly above TV tower near Germantown in Dayton.

11. COMMENTS

W/O Fox of DaytonNational Guard statd a balloon had been released approximately 1 mile from said sighting at 1100.

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WRIGHT T. Hrs. 57

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

IV Balloon

FILE NO.

SUBJECT: Extract from SDO Report 20 October 1957

TO: AFCIN-4K1 FROM: AFCIN-4K2a DATE: 21 Oct 57 COMMENT NO. 1

Maj T J Connair/dmt
59117/B 263/P A37

Following is an extract from SDO Captain H Tom's report of 20 October 57 for your information and necessary action:

"1145 - S/Sgt L Sherwood of AMC Command Post reported a call from Mrs [redacted] Road, Dayton. Phone [redacted] about a very shinny object moving very slowly above the TV Tower near Germantown in Dayton at 1140. No USAF Technical info sheet was made because Mrs [redacted] was traveling out of town. W/O Fox of Dayton Air National Guard stated that a balloon was released from 2900 West Second, aprx 1 mile north of said sighting place at 1100."

T. J. CONNAIR, JR.
Major, USAF
Adjutant

DD FORM 1 FEB 50 96 REPLACES NME FORM 96, 1 OCT 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

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