PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 November 1957	**2. LOCATION** Swansea, Illinois	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 02/0245Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** X☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 seconds	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one **9. COURSE** descending	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round, reddish object, size of base ball at arm's length. A distinct spark shot out of the burning object during its flight. Object burned out.

(In #1 Nov 57 Folder as #26)

11. COMMENTS

The description is of a meteor.

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1 Witness
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HEADQUARTERS
SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE
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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

OBT 18 NOV 1957

SUBJECT: Report of Sighting of Unidentified Flying Object (UFOB)

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. The attached report is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Air Force Regulation 200-2, 12 August 1954.

2. This Headquarters has taken the liberty of presenting the findings in the format indicated in Inclosure 1 inasmuch as AF Form 112 and AF Form 112a are not immediately available.

3. Delay in submission of this material is occasioned by failure of the observer to report the incident immediately following the sighting.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

J. W. BUDINA, JR.
CWO, W-2 USAF
Assistant Adjutant

1 Incl
Rpt of UFOB
(Trip)

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Headquarters, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

TO: Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: AFCIN 4E4
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

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Report of Sighting
of
Unidentified Flying Object

18 November 1957

Utilizing the format specified in paragraph 7d, AFR 200-2, the following report of sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object is submitted:

1. Description of Object.

a. Round.
b. Size of baseball held at arms length.
c. Reddish in color.
d. One.
e. N/A
f. Generally round in shape.
g. None.
h. None.
i. A distinct spark shot out of the burning object during its flight.

2. Description of Course of Object.

a. Attracted by a bright glow in sky.
b. Estimated 45 degrees elevation, and azimuth of 315 degrees.
c. Estimated 30 degrees elevation, and azimuth of 315 degrees.
d. Object was observed in vertical descent. No maneuvering.
e. Burned out.
f. Five seconds.

Good clues!

3. Manner of Observation.

a. Ground-visual.
b. None.
c. N/A

4. Time and Date of Sighting.

a. 0245Z hours, 2 November 1957. 0245 - 6 = 2045
b. Night.

5. Location of Observer.

a. Intersection of Morgan Street and Duncan Avenue, Village of Swansea, approximately fifteen miles southeast of East St. Louis, Illinois.

6. Identifying Information of Observer.

a. Mr. [redacted]
42 years
[redacted]
Belleville, Illinois

Supervisory General Engineer
1405th Installations Group
Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

7. Weather and Winds-Aloft Conditions.

a. Cloudy.
b. Air Weather Service report:

Elevation	Direction	Velocity
Surface	SSE	8
6,000	240 WSW	20
10,000	240 WSW	25
16,000	260 W	35
20,000	250 WSW	35
30,000	250 WSW	35
40,000	240	60
50,000	260	30

c. Estimated 8500, broken.
d. Seven miles.
e. Nine tenths. ← NOTE! ALMOST COMPLETE OVERCAST.
f. None.

8. Other Unusual Activity or Condition.

a. None.

9. Interception or Identification Action.

a. None.

10. Location of Air Traffic in Area At Time of Sighting.

a. Military - No local aircraft were flying.
b. Civil - Unknown.

11. Title of Reporting Officer and Comments.

Lt. Colonel Bernard P. Whitehouse
Wing Operations Officer
1405th Air Base Wing
Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

No comment.

12. Physical Evidence.

a. None.

The description of the object is of a meteorite.

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