

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 24 November 1957		2. LOCATION Scott AFB, Illinois		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 25/0010Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6 - 8 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE westerly	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, reddish-orange object, size of golf ball to tennis ball. Had an easterly movement until overhead, then a large "U" turn back to west.				11. COMMENTS Probably an a/c sighting.	

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BALLOON

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and
1405th AIR BASE WING (MATS)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

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

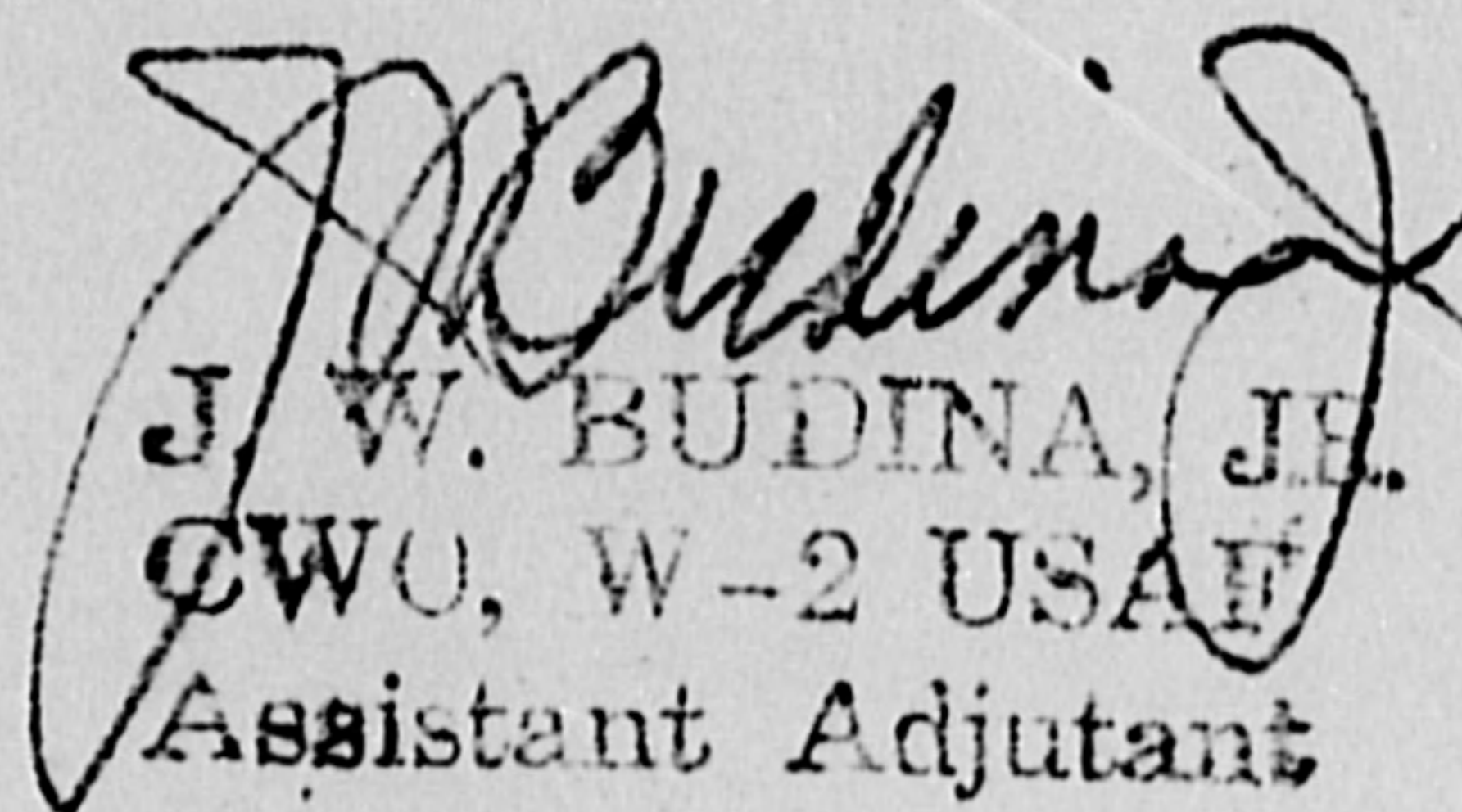
TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
Rpt of UFOB
(Trip)


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Hq 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

26 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 golf ball, tennis ball.
- c. "Reddish" orange.
- d. One
- e. N/A.
- f. Round in shape.
- g. None.
- h. None.
- i. None.

*This strongly suggests
a balloon!*

2. Description of Course of Object.

- a. Happenstance.
- b. Great variation from various witnesses.
- c. Westerly direction.
- d. An easterly movement until overhead; then a large "U" turn back to west.
- e. Observers went inside to class.
- f. Six to eight minutes.

3. Manner of Observation.

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

4. Time and Date of Sighting.

- a. 0010Z, 25 November 1957. 0010-02 = 1810
- b. Night.

Excl.

5. Location of Observer.

- a. At south end of Building T-3-189 in Area 3 on Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

6. Identifying Information of Observer.

- a. A/3C Ronald W. Rioux, AF11337012.
A/3C Gareth L. Colay, AF10112155.
Each student airman with 3-1/2 months in service.
A/1C Meeks, Tactical Instructor in Communications School,
Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

These students were on way to class in a flight of approximately 40 airmen. All of them supposedly saw this unidentified object. However, it was not reported until several hours later.

7. Weather and Winds-Aloft Conditions.

- a. Clear.
b. Air Weather Service report:

<u>Elevation</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Velocity</u>
Surface	SSW	10
6000 <i>MS</i>	300 <i>WSW</i>	20
10000	310 <i>W</i>	30
16000	310 <i>NW</i>	30
20000	290 <i>WSW</i>	70
30, to 40,000	290 <i>WSW</i>	50

- c. Unlimited.
d. Over 15 miles.
e. Clear.
f. N/A.

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 or Transient - 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

An unusually bright clear night. No sightings by any of our radar units, or by our control tower attendants.

12. Physical Evidence.

a. None.

*A check with balloon schedules show
~~weather~~ balloons are released at 1800 local time.
The wind velocities are such it would not
have moved very far until it got up to
a fairly high altitude.*

*The observers no doubt saw a balloon
with lights.*

BALLOON