PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 August 1958	2. LOCATION 5 Mi W of Bismark, North D.	12. CONCLUSIONS ☒ X 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 18/1330Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ X Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar Binoculars ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 40 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE East

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

White, balloon like obj, looked like balloon, bright flash followed by a white glow, bigh overhead. Stationary at first, then moving slowly to the East.

11. COMMENTS

Everything points to obj being balloon.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

18/1330 Z Aug

1 Witness

BALLOON

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PP RJEDSQ

DE RJWZGU 1H

P 181645Z

FM COMDR 786TH ACWRON

TO RJEDDN/KOMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB

RJWZGU/COMDR 29 ADIV

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER

RJEPHQ/ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF

RJEPHQ/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES HQ USAF

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UFO REPORT OPS/757.D

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

1. BALOON (WEATHER) X-Note:

2. BASKETBALL

3. WYITE WITH IRREGULAR LIGHT

4. ONE

5. N/A

6. BRIGHT FLASH FOLLOWED BY A WHITE GLOW

7. NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

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B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

1. BRIGHT LIGHT

2. OVERHEAD

3. OVERHEAD, HIGH AND DISSAPEARING TO THE EAST

4. STATIONARY AT FIRST BUT MOVING SLOWLY TO THE EAST BEFORE DISAPEARING

5. SLOWLY TO THE EAST-BRIGHT LIGHT INSTANTANEOUSLY DISSAPEARING

6. 40 MINUTES

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATIONS

1. NONE

2. BINOCULARS USED

3. NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

1. 18/1330Z 1330-7=0630

2. NIGHT ← ASTRO plot shows sunrise at approx. 0530 local

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER

1. 100 DEGREES 41AND1HALF MINUITES WEST 46 DEGREES 46AND1HALF MINUITES NORTH OR 5 MILES WEST OF BISMARK NORTH DAKOTA

F. OBSERVER

MR [redacted]

POSTAL CLERK

[redacted]

BISMARK NORTH DAKOTA

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT

1. GOOD

2. 6,000-140/10 SE

10,000-270/15 W

16,000-270/20 W

20,000-270/20 W

30,000-310/40 NW

50,000-310/40 NW

80,000-N/A

3. ~~HIGH THIN BROKEN~~

4. 15 PLUS

5. N/A

6. NONE

H. SPUDNIK III WAS DUE TO ARRIVE AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME AS THE UFO SIGHTING.

1. Observer states it was night but astro tables show the sun rose at 05:00 local time.
2. The shape is given as that of a weather balloon.
3. Balloon launching schedules show Birmark launch balloon at about time of sighting.
4. The wind direction is from the W, generally and would carry a balloon in direction given by observer.
5. Everything points to object being a balloon.

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I. CAMPAIGN 9, F89J, WAS SCRAMBLED BUT NEGATIVE RESULTS-LIGHTS REFLECTING FROM DISCREET CLOUDS COULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE CAUSE FOR SIGHTING WAS PILOTS OPINION.

J. NONE

K. J.R. HARRISON, SR. DIRECTOR ON DUTY AT TIME OF REPORT HAS NEGATIVE COMMENT. COULD HAVE POSSIBLY BEEN REFLECTION BY SPUDNIKS ROCKET OR REFLECTION OF MOON ON DISCREET CLOUDS.

L. NONE

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