

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Jan 59		2. LOCATION West Palm Beach, Fla. 70 Mi E Myrtle Beach, N. C. Approx 172 Mi W of Bermuda		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Missile</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>27/2340Z</u> <u>27/2325Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Military & Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 mins 20 mins		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE East Straight up	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1) Cigar-shaped obj with trailing edge, dazzling white, Stationary light traveling with it. Had long tail, transparent. Stars could be seen through it. 2) Small red obj with sparks fanning out behind. Approached from West and gained alt. Seemed to be spiralling and leaving luminous exhaust. In sight 10 mins. 3) Firey obj streak across the sky. Color of moon with a long vaporous trail.				11. COMMENTS Observers Probably saw the Atlas missile which was fired from Cape Canaveral on this date.	

SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLA., REPORTED SEEING A FIERY OBJECT STREAK ACROSS THE SKY LAST NIGHT. THIS HAPPENED SHORTLY AFTER THE LAUNCHING OF AN ATLAS MISSILE AT CAPE CANAVERAL, 100 MILES AWAY, BUT WITNESSES SAID WHAT THEY SAW WAS ABOUT THE COLOR OF THE MOON AND HAD A LONG, VAPOROUS TAIL.

EARLIER YESTERDAY, A BALL OF FIRE WAS REPORTED BY SEVERAL PERSONS TO HAVE PLUNGED INTO THE BAY AT MOBILE, ALA. AUTHORITIES SAID NO PLANES WERE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN THE AREA, AND NO EXPLANATION WAS OFFERED.

TWO BLASTS, STRONG ENOUGH TO RATTLE WINDOWS AND GLASSWARE, WERE REPORTED AT MONTGOMERY, ALA. BUT THIS TURNED OUT TO BE THE ORDINARY NOISE OF JET PLANES BREAKING THE SOUND BARRIER.

*News Release DTD 29 JAN 59*

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PARAPHRASE NOT REQUIRED EXCEPT PRIOR TO  
CATEGORY B ENCRYPTION—PHYSICALLY DELETED  
ALL INTERNAL REFERENCES BY DATE-TIME GROUP  
PRIOR TO DECLASSIFICATION—NO UNCLASSIFIED  
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TO COMDR ATIC WPAFB OHIO ✓

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REFERENCE UR MSG AFCIN-4E-1-210-E. AF ATLAS MISSILE WAS  
LAUNCHED AT 2334Z 27 JAN 59. MISSILE WAS VISIBLE FROM CAPE  
CAVAVERAL FOR APPROXIMATELY 6 MINUTES WHICH WOULD BE AT A RANGE OF  
APPROXIMATELY 450 TO 500 NAUTICAL MILES. FLIGHT WAS PROGRAMMED  
FOR APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES FLIGHT TIME WITH IMPACT IN THE  
ASCENSION AREA

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Auth. *Director TDP*  
Ex. *Justus*  
Date *13 MAY 1969*

*AFR 2004, Par 2-17a*  
*3 Jan 68*

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FROM:

COMDR, ATIC

TO:

COMDR, PATRICK AFB, FLORIDA

RESNO

/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: AFCIN-4E4 1-210-E

THIS CENTER HAS RECEIVED REPORTS CONCERNING AN UFO OBSERVED AT 2340Z, 27 JAN 59. SEVERAL PEOPLE IN BERMUDA PLUS AN ACFT CREW LOCATED AT 3306N 06805W OBSERVED THE OBJ FOR 20 MINUTES. THE OBJ WAS DESCRIBED AS CIGAR SHAPED WITH LONG TRAIL, DISAPPEARED STRAIGHT UP. NUMEROUS REPORTS OF OBJ APPEARING TO BE A BRILLIANTLY ILLUMINATED CLOUD. REQUEST YOU FORWARD INFO CONCERNING THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ATLAS, WHICH WAS FIRED ON ABOVE DATE, RESULTING IN THIS SIGHTING. SPECIFIC INFO REQUESTED IS APPROX TIME DURATION ATLAS WAS VISIBLE AND APPROX DISTANCES.

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E4

COL GLASER

DATE 29 Jan 59

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COL GILBERT

DATE

DATE	TIME
29 JAN	0750
MONTH	YEAR
JAN	1959

SYMBOL

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TYPED NAME AND TITLE

Maj. Robert J. Friend

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Capt. USAF

ATIC Duty Officer

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DD FORM 173  
1 MAY 55

REPLACES DD FORM 173, 1 OCT 49, WHICH WILL BE USED UNTIL EXHAUSTED

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INFO RJWFAL/COMDR 1206 AISS

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UNCLAS FROM BWDOI 59271. SUBJECT: UFO SIGHTING.

FOR INTELLIGENCE. FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM CCGDFIVE RECEIVED THIS

OFFICE 1800Z 28 JAN 59, CNO INFO ADDRESSEE. QUOTE. MERINT X

RECEIVED FROM FRYING PAN SHOALS LIGHTSHIP X POSIT 33-28N 77-33.8W X

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT OBSERVED SOUTH OF THIS STATION X SMALL RED

OBJEC WITH SPARKS FANNING OUTWARD X APPROACHED FROM WEST VEERING TO

SSE GAINING ALTITUDE X OBJECT SEEM TO BE SPIRALLING LEAVING LUMINOUS

EXHAUST X IN SIGHT APPROX 10 MINUTES X TIME OF SIGHTING

272335Z. UNQUOTE. 1835-

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approx 10 miles East  
of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

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Mr. Murphy  
Capt. Elwood  
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FM COMDR 1604TH AIR BASE WING KINDLEY AFB

TO RJWFAL/COMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB/ASST CH

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(UNCLFROM 1604DO 28-AWQM ACTION ADC, AIR TECH

INT CTR, CHIAF OF STAFF INT; OIS. INFO COMATS, EASTAF.

UFOB CLEAR SHAPED WITH TRAILING EDGE. DAZZLING WHITE.

(ONE. STATIONARY LIGHT TRAVELING WITH IT. LONG TRAIL.

TRANSPARENT. STARS COULD BE SEEN THROUGH IT. TIME WAS

1840 or 1940  
2340Z. DATE 27 JANUARY 59. NIGHTTIME. IN SIGHT 20 MINUTES.

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HOME STATION CHARLESTON AFB, PLUS FOUR OF CREW;  
CONTROL TOWER OPERATR, KINDLEY AFB; 1/LT FRANCIS J. MCCOMBS,  
TRAFFIC DUTY OFFICER, KINDLEY AFB; D. E. CALBICOTT, FOOD

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*approx 172 miles west of Bermuda*

SERVICE SUPERVISOR, KINDLEY AFB; 1/LT. JOHN R. LOWRY,  
MAINTENANCE OFFICER, KINDLEY AFB; PLUS NUMEROUS OFF-BASE  
PERSONNEL WHO MADE CALLS TO THE BASE. OBJECTNDISAPPEARED  
STRAIGHT UP OUT OF SIGHT. AIRCRAFT COMMANDER IRWIN'S  
LOCATION WAS 33-26N LATITUDE 6A05W LONGITUDE TRAVELING AT  
275 DEGREES. UFOB REPORT WAS SENT TO ANDREWS AICWYS AT  
2339Z 27 JAN. <sup>NUMEROUS</sup> REPORTS OF OBJECT APPEARING TO BE  
BRILLIANTLY ILLUMINATED CLOUD. NIGHT WAS CLEAR. NO AIRCRAFT  
IN THE AREA AT THE TIME. COMMENTS OF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER,  
KINDLEY AFB: LOCAL RADIO NEWS REPORTS ON 27 JANUARY INCUDED  
REPORTING OF AN ATLAS BEING FIRED IN FLORIDA. IT IS POSSIBLE  
THAT THE SIGHTINGS REPORTED ABOVE ARE THE RESULT OF THIS ACTION.

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28/1439Z JAN RJEVBU

*how can this be when  
obj. was seen at 2340Z.*