[redacted] PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
23 Jul 60	Alexandria, Louisiana	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 24/0235Z 50 0500Z	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 Military and Civilian	☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2-5 sec Trails - 20 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS seven	9. COURSE descending
		☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Bright flashes of light which left trails of varying sizes were observed by 4 persons from 0235Z to 0500Z. In all, there were 7 objects sighted during this period. All of the objects were seen in the NW (cup portion of big dipper) the flashes visible for 2-5 seconds. the trails persisting up to 20 seconds.

11. COMMENTS

The descriptions reported are very similar to meteors entering the earth's atmosphere. This was probably part of a meteor shower.

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(3) WHITE.

(4) ONE (1)

(5) N/A

(6) NONE

(7) OBSERVER "A": ORANGE (TRAIL.)

OBSERVER "B": WHITE (SIX INCHES IN LENGTH) (TRAIL.)

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[redacted], ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, HOUSEWIFE, PART-

[redacted] RELIABILITY, UNK.

(2) OBSERVER "A": [redacted] A/1C, [redacted]

AC & W SQUADRON, ENGLAND AFB, LOUISIANA, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST, FAIRLY RELIABLE.

G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS:

(1) CLEAR

(2) WIND DIRECTION	VELOCITY	DIFFERENT ALTITUDES
FROM 240 DEGREES	5 KNOTS	SURFACE
220 DEGREES	15 KNOTS	6,000
220 DEGREES	10 KNOTS	10,000
280 DEGREES	20 KNOTS	16,000
280 DEGREES	20 KNOTS	20,000
270 DEGREES	15 KNOTS	30,000

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180 DEGREES	5 KNOTS	50,000
090 DEGREES	20 KNOTS	80,000

(3) NONE

(4) 10 MILES

(5) 2/10THS

(6) NONE

(7) 3 DEGREES F/120 MILES

H. REFERENCE PART II OF THIS MESSAGE

I. NONE

J. NONE

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UNCL/TFW/DO/INTEL 7-551. SECTION ONE OF TWO

UFO REPORT. REFERENCE AFR 200-2, PARAGRAPH 15. THIS MESSAGE

IN TWO PARTS.

PART 1.

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) ROUND

(2) BASEBALL

(3) WHITE

(4) ONE (1)

(5) N/A

1 2 3 4 4X2A

(6) EDGES IRREGULAR

(7) WIDE AND LONG (4 INCH BY 15 INCH)

(8) NO SOUND HEARD

(9) EXTREMELY BRIGHT

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) THE FLASH AND THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE OBJECT

(2) ELEVATION, 45 DEGREES; AZIMUTH 283 DEGREES (MAGNETIC)

(3) ELEVATION, 45 DEGREES; AZIMUTH 283 DEGREES (MAGNETIC)

(4) STATIONARY

(5) LIGHT DIMINSHED RAPIDLY

(6) TWENTY SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) OBSERVER "A": 24[illegible]31[illegible]ZULU; 24[illegible]325ZULU

OBSERVER "B": 24[illegible]ZULU

(2) NIGHT

LOCATION OF OBSERVATION:

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ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA (31 DEGREES 17 MINUTES NORTH, 92 DEGREES

[redacted]

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OBSERVERS:

K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, CAPTAIN [redacted] ENGLAND AFB LOUISIANA. BOTH OBSERVERS, A & B, WERE ATTENDING A DRIVE-IN MOVIE. OBSERVER "A" STATED THAT HE HAD WITNESSED FALLING STARS AND METEORITES BEFORE AND THAT THIS SIGHTING APPEARED QUITE DIFFERENT IN AS MUCH AS IT DID NOT APPEAR TO MOVE. OBSERVER "B" HAD BEEN SCANNING THE SKY FOR THIS OBJECT AFTER HAVING BEEN TOLD BY OBSERVER "A" THAT HE HAD SEEN A BRIGHT OBJECT IN THE SKY. BOTH OBSERVERS PLACED THE OBJECT AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME POINT IN THE SKY. OBSERVER "A" STATED THAT IN BOTH OF HIS OBERVATIONS, THE OBJECT WAS LOCATED

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CUP PORTION OF THE "BIG DIPPER". TWO OTHER OBSERVERS, ONE AT THIS DRIVE IN AND ONE AT THE "KINGS" DRIVE-IN LOCATED IN ANOTHER SECTION OF TOWN, OBSERVED SIMILAR OBJECTS AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME. IN THE LATTER CASE THE OBJECTS WERE MOVING. A REPORT OF THE LATTER SIGHTING IS COVERED IN PART II OF THIS REPORT. EVERY AVAILABLE MEANS WAS USED BY THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER TO ARRIVE AT A POSSIBLE CONCLUSION. THE EXACT CAUSE OF THE PHENOMENA CAN NOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS LEVEL.

PART II

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT

(1) ROUND

(2) OBSERVER "A" QUARTER

OBSERVER "B": PEA

(3) WHITE

G. WEATHER AND WINDS-ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS:

(1) CLEAR

(2) SAME AS PART I.

(3) SAME AS PART I.

(4) SAME AS PART I.

(5) SAME AS PART I.

(6) SAME AS PART I.

(7) SAME AS PART I.

H. REFER TO PART I.

I. NONE

J. NONE

K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, CAPTAIN [redacted] ENGLAND AFB, LOUISIANA. FROM THE DESCRIPTION PRESENTED BY THE ABOVE OBSERVERS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE OBJECT COULD HAVE BEEN A METEORITE. DUE TO THE PROXIMATE PLACE AND TIME OF THIS

SIGHTING AND THESE IN PART II OF THIS REPORT, THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED FOR YOUR FURTHER REFERENCE AND EVALUAATION.

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UNCLAS TFW/DO/INTEL 8-76.

IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED. THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS. PART I.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TO UFO REPORT SUBMITTED ON 25 JULY 1960,

CITE: TFW/DO/INTEL 7-591. REFERENCE AFR 200-2, PARAGRAPH 15G(2),

ADD THE FOLLOWING TEMPERATURES FOR THE ALTITUDES INDICATED:

ALTITUDES	TEMPERATURE	ALTITUDES	TEMPERATURE
SURFACE	PLUS 33C	6,000	PLUS 15C
10,000	PLUS 11C	16,000	MINUS 4C
20,000	MINUS 13C	30,000	MINUS 33C
50,000	MINUS 68C	80,000	NOT AVAILABLE

(4) ARC

(5) INSTANTANEOUSLY

(6) FIVE (5) SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

(1) OBSRVER "A": OBSERVED OBJECT THREE TIMES BETWEEN 240235Z AND 240410Z (EXACT TIME UNKNOWN)

OBSERVER "B": 240300Z

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS:

OBSERVER "A": ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, 31 DEGREES, 17 MINUTES NORTH; 92 DEGREE 28 MINUTES WEST; BATON ROUGE TRAFFIC CIRCLE, JOY DRIVE-IN THEATRE.

OBSERVER "B": ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, 31 DEGREES, 20 MINUTES NORTH; 92 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST, HIGHWAY 165.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS.

(1) NONE

(2) OBSERVER "A": [redacted], A/1C, 401ST AIR POLICE SQUADRON, FAIRLY RELIABLE

OBSERVER "B" [redacted], A/1C401ST AIR POLICE SQUADRON, FAIRLY RELIABLE

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UNCL/TFW/DO/INTEL 7-591. FINAL SECTION OF TWO

(2) NO SOUND HEARD

(3) NONE

3. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT:

(1) BRIGH LIGHT

(2) OBSERVER "A": 45 DEGREES ELEVATION; 330 DEGREES AZIMUTH.

OBSERVER "B": 45 DEGREES ELEVATION; 320 DEGREES AZIMUTH.

(3) OBSERVER "A": 30 DEGREES ELEVATION; 300 DEGREES

OBSERVER "B": 45 DEGREES ELEVATION; 320 DEGREES

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Temperature Gradients

Air Technical Intelligence Center (AFCIN-4E4g (Major Friend))
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. Reference paragraph 15g(7), AFR 200-2.

2. Request that temperature gradient be defined. The weather forecasters at this base say that temperature gradients could be measured at one elevation or between two or more elevations. Moreover it could be measured between two points on the ground.

3. The answer to the above request will enable this headquarters to fulfill more adequately the provisions of AFR 200-2 in reporting of temperature gradients.

RAY F. GROENAUS
Major, USAF
Wing Intelligence Officer

30 AUG 1960

1st Ind (AFCIN-4E2x)

Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

TO: Hq 401st Tactical Fighter Wing (TAC), Attn: TFW/DO/INT,
England Air Force Base, Louisiana

Reference paragraph two of basic correspondence, temperature gradient as used in AFR 200-2 is considered as being the vertical temperature gradient, or lapse rate. For analysis purposes, the requirement is for the temperature change with altitude in the vicinity of the sighting in order to determine the presence or absence of a temperature inversion.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E2x [signature] Date 16 Aug 60
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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PREPARING INDIVIDUAL M/Sgt Robert F. Plympton AF17148303	DATE OF REPORT 3 Aug 60	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE SRI NO. ACTIVE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE [redacted]	EVALUATION B-6	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)

REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

AFR 200-2, Paragraph 15; TFW/DO/INTEL Msg 7-591, 25 July 1960; telephone conversation between M/Sgt Plympton, this headquarters and Sgt Bolieu ATIC, 3Aug60

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

Supplemental information on UFO sighted 25 July 1960 at Alexandria, Louisiana

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

1. Attached as inclosure 1 is a narrative written in long hand by an observer of an unidentified flying object observed over Alexandria, Louisiana on 25 July 1960.

2. Airman [redacted] was asked to prepare this narrative shortly after he was interviewed in regards to the sighting on 24 July 1960.

3. Sgt. Bolieu, ATIC, requested this narrative by telephone conversation with M/Sgt Robert F. Plympton, of this headquarters, on 3 August 1960.

1 INCLS
Narrative

PREPARING OFFICIAL: ROBERT F. PLYMPTON
M/Sgt, USAF
Intelligence NCOIC

APPROVING OFFICIAL: RAY F. GRODHAUS
Major, USAF
Wg Intell Officer

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21 July 1960

This report is submitted in compliance with instructions given me by Capt. Lee of the 40th & 41st TFW, England Air Force Base, Louisiana.
This is my account of visual sighting of one or more objects - unidentified over the Gulf indicated area, and are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

On 23 July 1960, while serving as meteorologist at the Day shift in the "weather office" my attention was diverted from the radar by a flash of light to the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

I noticed immediately followed by the hour I was just leaving as he started at 10:00 this day. The tail was very small and long and lasted for a beta of from 15 to 30 seconds before it became [illegible]

The tail remained straight white for about 14 to 16 seconds and was constant and unmoving until about the last 4 to 6 seconds in which it made a fast [illegible] and last greatly.

I have estimated [illegible] and — meteors before and the Meteors appeared just disappeared in a flash in all cases it have no [illegible]

I [illegible] at least in Meteor [illegible] at [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] I [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] report the [illegible] received it on [illegible] the Chapel [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

I proceeded back to the Cincinnati waters, [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

At the very center and at the left ~~to~~ side of the upper part of the Big Dipper appeared a bright flash - such as an explosion without any flying fragments. This flash appeared to be stationary, not moving. The flash was about the size of a large half dollar at arms length. It was entirely white with not any other colors involved. This flash lasted for about 1½ to 3 seconds and then faded out completely, in the same spot it occurred very rapidly.

then immediately, as if turning one light on at the same time you turn the other off, the tail appeared as its entirety. There was, as in the first case, an appearance of complete lack of motion as a stationary object. The tail appeared to be wider than the diameter of the flash and extended slightly beyond the right hand side of the flapper. It burned all the same intensity and white. It held its brilliance for about 15 seconds and then began a steady rapid fade-out for about 5 seconds and disappeared with a total of about 22 or 23 seconds duration from flash to end of fade-out of the tail. Again I repeat that no motion either vertical, horizontal or of falling was apparent from beginning to end.

By now I was fairly alerted, so I proceeded to the ticket booth as quickly as possible. The second sighting was about 9:25 PM. I told the ticket girl that I had a military priority call for the Base and would have to use her phone. After re-assuring her that the events of her losing her job over the call as it was a military business call she allowed me to call.

I immediately called my squadron, the 653D AC&W Sqd. and asked the Crew Chief on Radar Operations if he had spotted either of the things, I had seen, on radar. He informed me that he hadn't, and referred me to the Novelloe on duty - Capt. [redacted]

I explained quickly to Capt. [redacted] and he confirmed the knowledge of no plots on the Radar and referred me to the Staff duty officer of the 401st TRW.

I called the Staff Duty Officer of the 401st and gave my information to him.

I continued to watch the sky off & on in the same vicinity of the previous sightings for the remainder of the movie and until midnight without any other sightings of any kind.

Following is a brief summary of both sightings:

1st sighting at 9:10 PM. → "FLASH"

MC Only flash seen was from corner of eye

① Very bright

② In vicinity of Big Dipper

1st sighting → "TAIL"

① Very bright and white

② Directly on and across center of Big Dipper

③ Bright for 15 secs → fading last 5 secs

(2) No apparent motion

Second sighting - 15 minutes later

"FLASH"

(1) Size of base ball at arms length.
(2) 45° angle from ground
(3) Duration - About 2 to 3 seconds (Approximate time).

"TRAIL"

(1) Appeared simultaneously with fade-out of flash
(2) Directly on and across center of Big Dipper
(3) Wider than the flashes diameter
(4) Extending across and slightly beyond right side of Big Dipper
(5) Intensity lasted for approx. 15 seconds, then faded out in 5 seconds (20 sec total)
(6) Both sightings appeared to be identical in all respects.

End of Report

[redacted]

[redacted] EAFB, NM.