JOHNSON, E.E. Capt

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 14 Dec 60	2. LOCATION Spokane, Washington	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Satellite ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1937 GMT 15/0337Z	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 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object star shaped, white changing to red and orange. A/c sighting from 32,000 ft. Object moving in level flight from NWto SE. Total observation 6 min. Passed behind a/c.

11. COMMENTS

Satellite data requested however not received. Apparent object in orbit. Case listed as unconfirmed satellite in view of no conflicting information.

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FOR INTELLIGENCE. SUBJECT, UFO REPORT.

A.

1. STAR-SHAPED
2. NOT REPORTED
3. WHITE, CHANGING TO RED, THEN ORANGE.
4. ONE.
5. N/A
6. OBJECT TO FAR AWAY FOR DETAIL.
7. NOT REPORTED.
8. NOT REPORTED. (AIRCRAFT SIGHTING.)
9. AIRCRAFT REPORTED NO BEACONS IN AREA AND OBJECT NOT MOVING FAST ENOUGH TO BE FALLING STAR.

B.

1. LIGHT IN 12 O'CLOCK POSITION FROM AIRCRAFT. AIRCRAFT HEADING 250 DEGREES AT 32000 FEET.
2. ELEVATION UNKNOWN, BUT HIGHER THAN AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE.
3. NOT REPORTED.
4. STRAIGHT LINE, LEVEL FLIGHT, MOVING FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST.
5. AIRCRAFT LOST SIGHT. PASSED BEHIND.
6. SIX MINUTES.

C.

1. VISUAL SIGHTING.
2. NONE USED.
3. KC-135, SHORE 12, 32000 FEET, 250 DEGREES, FAIRCHILD AFB, WASH

D. 4. 15/0337Z TO 15/0343Z.

5. NIGHT

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5. NIGHT

E. 6. 30 MILES EAST OF COEUR D' ALENE LAKE, IDAHO TO 30 MILES WEST OF LAKE. (NEAR SPOKANE, WASH.)

F. AIRCRAFT COMMANDER- KC-135, CALL-SIGN SHORE 12, FAIRCHILD AFB, WASH. VERY GOOD.

G. GENERAL WEATHER CONDITIONS VERY GOOD.

WINDS (GEG AT 0300Z). 35M---310/55

40M---290/55

45M---280/50

50M---270/50

60M---280/35

3. UNLIMITED

4. UNLIMITED

5. NONE

6. NONE

7. TEMPERATURE AT 45M, MINUS 55 DEGREES CENTIGRADE.

H. NONE

I. N/A

J. N/A

K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, APPARENT VALID SIGHTING, CORRELATES WITH VISUAL SIGHTING BY PERSONNEL AT CANADIAN AC&W SITE. POSSIBLE SATELITE VEHICLE RE-ENTRY.

L. NONE

BT

15/0602Z DEC RJWZGS

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ZIPPO REPORT

00	OTHER (Specify)	DATE 25	TIME 1 0515 Z	CLASSIFICATION [redacted]

FROM: 22 ARMS RECORD

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY:

TO:
SAC OFFICE
3 SAC
8 [illegible]
15 [illegible]
INFO: [illegible]

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[illegible]/ZIPPO 12-063, ZIPPO REPORT

1. [illegible] 12

2. [illegible]

3. 17,34 116.0W, 35/0375; 300

4. [illegible], UNKNOWN

5. [illegible]

6. [illegible] AS HIM, HE IS SENT FOR [illegible] REPORTS [illegible]
[illegible] TO THE [illegible]

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Unclassified IAW para 18, AFR 200-2

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/UNCLAS/ AFCIN-4E2X 12-3579-E
RE AREFS YOUR ZIPPO 12-033 TO CSAF RPTG A SIGHTING AT 150337Z
REQ ALL INFO CONCERNING THE SIGHTING BE RPTD IN ACCORDANCE WITH
AFR 200-2 DTD 14 SEP 59 AND FWD TO ATIC ATTN AFCIN-4E2X.
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS North America	DATE OF INFORMATION 15 Dec 60	
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT 325th Fighter Wing (AD) McChord AFB, Washington	DATE OF COLLECTION 23 Dec 60	SRI STATUS (If applicable) SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL Lt Edward H. Lewis	DATE OF REPORT 27 Dec 60	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Captain Edward E. Johnson	EVALUATION Senior Pilot	SRI NO. ACTIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)

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

Zippo 12-033 (Atch) - SPOIN 1694 (Spokane Air Defense Sector message)

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

Unidentified Flying Object (UFO)

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. General Situation: Airborne in KC-135 at 32,000 feet, tracking 276°, True airspeed 400 kts. Aircraft Commander, Captain Edward E. Johnson, 39104A, 22d Air Refueling Squadron, McChord AFB, Washington.

Report is as follows (format from para 15, AFR 200-2, dtd 14 Sep 59).

a. (1) round (2) head of a pin (3) white (4) one (5) N/A (6) thru (9) none.

b. (1) movement and brightness (2) 1130 position, 5° above the aircraft altitude, (3) 8 o'clock position, 50° above the aircraft altitude, (4) straight flight path (5) faded out of sight (6) 6 minutes.

c. (1) air-visual (2) no optical aids (3) KC-135, 32,000', 282° TH, 400 kts, McChord AFB, Wash.

d. (1) 15/0337Z (2) night.

e. 47-34N, 116-03W to 47-34N, 116-57 W.

f. Edward E. Johnson, Captain, 22d Air Refueling Sq., Senior Pilot, Very reliable.

g. (1) clear, (2) 32,000'-334°/50 kts (3) none (4) 15 plus (5) thru (6) none (7) not available.

(see reverseside)

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h. No.

i. No.

j. None.

k. Edward M. Lewis, 1st Lt, Airspace Officer, 325th Fighter Wing (AD), McChord AFB, Washington. "It is my opinion a scheduled or unscheduled satellite was sighted by Captain Johnson. Captain Johnson is of the same opinion."

l. None.

2. Additional information was submitted by Spokane Air Defense Sector with 5 personnel sightings from Beaver Lodge, Alberta, Canada. Ref: SPOIN 1694 (Spokane Air Defense Sector message).

No Case (Information Only)

1 December 1960
Appleton, Wisconsin

No Case (Information Only)

2-12 December 1960
Atlantic City, New Jersey

On December 2-12 the Atlantic City Press reported that several UFOs were sighted in southern New Jersey. In one case listed by the Press, a strange flying object which descended to about 300 feet was reported by a duck hunter. When he raised his shotgun, the hunter said, the UFO rose vertically and disappeared.

NEW JERSEY HUNTER ALMOST SHOOTS SAUCER: Last December 3rd, a duck hunter named [redacted]s and his grandson had a frightening experience with a UFO in the meadows near Atlantic City, N. J. It was about 6 a.m. when the two men spotted the object flying straight at them, about 300 feet above the ground. [redacted] loaded his shotgun and was prepared to shoot down the object, but it then rose vertically into the air and flew away. The strange machine was saucer-shaped and measured about 60 feet in diameter. It had a red glow that lit up the ground and that changed to purple as the machine zoomed up into the air. The UFO traveled silently at all times, and moved with a jerky motion "like a bouncing ball," according to Leeds.

On December 3, 1960 Duck Hunter [redacted], 65, near Atlantic City, New Jersey disclosed his story of a recent encounter with a big disc, as he prepared to fight off a spacecraft from another planet---with a shotgun. While on a hunting trip with his grandson at 6 A.M. they saw an object flying at them, over the meadows at about 300 feet above the ground.

"Grandpop, that's coming right straight towards us," cried the boy, [redacted] slipped shells into his shotgun and replied," Don't worry if it comes at us, I'll shoot it." As it reached them, it rose vertically up in the air. According to [redacted] the disc measured about 60 feet in diameter, had a red glow that lit up the group and that changed to purple as it rose vertically. It came out of the east, then turned southwest. The disc traveled silently and moved with a jerky motion"like a bouncing ball" in the air. The elusive "saucer" got away, but you'd have a hard time telling these people that it weren't there in the first place.

No Case (Information Only)

7 December 1960
Martinez, California

December 7, 1960--Martinez, California--6 A.M. Police patrolman [redacted] and fellow police officers, watched the gyrations of a large mysterious lighted UFO for 45 minutes.

No Case (Information Only)

10 December 1960
Atlantic City, New Jersey

December 10, 1960--Near Atlantic City, New Jersey--Morning. Bright, round disc seen following aircraft. Disc hovered above and behind jet for about two minutes. then sped away.

No Case (Information Only)

13 December 1960
Neenah, Wisconsin

No Case (Information Only)

13 December 1960
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

No Case (Information Only)

13 December 1960
Dubuque, Iowa

No Case (Information Only)

14 December 1960
Portland, Connecticut

1960

....A report from Portland, Connecticut, dated December 14th states that Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] of that city witnessed a flying saucer at about 10 p.m. on the previous night. The object was making erratic movements in the sky, and looked "like a dinner plate," though at times a conical form was also noted. Strange "metallic" lights aboard the UFO varied in color and intensity, and the object seemed to move in a pulsating manner, "something like a jellyfish." The thing was in view for 20 minutes.

No Case (Information Only)

15 December 1960
Appleton, Wisconsin

16 - 31 DECEMBER 1960 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
16	Hutchison, Kansas	Multi	Astro (METEOR)
16	Dayton, Ohio	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
16-20	Tyndall AFB, Florida	[redacted]	Balloon
17	Aquadilla, Puerto Rico	[redacted]	Satellite
17	Sutton, Alaska	[redacted]	Satellite
17	Anchorage, Alaska	Multi	Satellite
17	40.00N 175.00W N Midway	Military	Insufficient Data
18	Sterling, Alaska	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
18	Cincinnati, Ohio	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
19	SE Guam	Military	Satellite
22	Bentwaters, England	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
22	Buckingham, Iowa	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
25	Arlington Heights, Illinois	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
26-9 Jan	E Buffalo, New York	Multi (PHOTOS)	Astro (VENUS)
27	New York, New York	[redacted]	Aircraft
28	Crescent City, California	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
28	Rushville, Nebraska	Multi	Astro (METEOR)
29	Coral Sea Nandi, Australia	Military	Insufficient Data
29	Japan	[redacted]	Satellite (D/K DISCOVERE 17)
31	Neshua, New Hampshire	[redacted]	Insufficient Data

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCE	EVALUATION
27	East Boston, Massachusetts	Newsclipping	
29	San Raphael, California	Newsclipping	