PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 Jul 61	2. LOCATION Palatka, Florida	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other UNReliable Report ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local Night GMT	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Identical report turned in on 12 Jul fm same city apparently by small children.

11. COMMENTS Probably prank. Identical reports and inconsistencies of possible cause such as objt separating and joining together again and varied movements which do not conform to known flight patterns lead to conclusion of prank by these youngsters.

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16 AUG 1961

UFO Sighting

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Palatka, Florida

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter reporting the sighting of a UFO has been forwarded to the Foreign Technology Division. It does not contain sufficient information for a valid conclusion; therefore, request you complete the attached form and return it in the attached self-addressed envelope.

Sincerely

EDWARD H. WYNN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
and Components

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1. ATIC Form 164, 2 cys.
2. Self-addressed envelope.

COORDINATION: TD-E Robert J. Friend DATE 16 Aug 61
Major Robert J. Friend

The committee has in the meantime been going over some other reports and would like much more information on the 25 July 1961 report, at Palatka, Florida; the "object separating and joining together again" suggests similarity to some of the French sightings and the committee would like to have the unreliability of this report more solidly established.

Palatka, Fla.
July 25, 1961

Pentagon
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs,

On the night of July 25, about ten minutes after eight, four flying objects were observed over Putnam County Florida. They were moving from the West and at about 85° off West horizon, they headed north. They went a very short distance in this direction. Then made a 90° turn and headed again in the West. At about 75° off West horizon the four objects converged into one. Previous to this they appeared blue-white. After they converged they became a slight orange color, then they disappeared behind trees. The incident was witnessed by eight individuals for about two minutes. There was no sound from these objects.

Yours truly,
[redacted]