

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE 29 Sep 61 | | 2. LOCATION Watertown, Conn | | 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 | |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 3 PM GMT | | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar | | | |
| 5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | | 6. SOURCE Civilian | | | |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION | | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS | | 9. COURSE | |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown | |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 7 silver objts crossing sky extremely fast speed. Small, crosses sun position. Not seen at same time all separately. | | | | 11. COMMENTS Possible Sun Dog. Cannot conclude without additional info. Request for info not received and case listed as insufficient data. | |

10 October 1961

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of September 30 addressed to the Department of Defense has been referred to the Air Force.

It is not possible to tell you what the objects were which you saw while observing the Sun's corona. It is possible that a combination of factors were involved since we have no other corroborating reports. Perhaps you witnessed a phenomena referred to as Sun Dog's (see writings by Donald Menzel, Director of Harvard Observatory) further compounded by eye strain due to the intensity of the light (even though blocking direct Sun light).

I know that this is not too helpful, [REDACTED] but with the information given this is about the best we can do toward helping you solve the mystery. Knowing that you are interested in astronomy, I would like to recommend that you read Flying Saucers by Dr. Menzel. It is filled with interesting cases and provides a great deal of information on astronomical phenomena.

Your interest is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Watertown, Conn.

September 30, 1961

Dear Sirs

On Friday, Sept 29, over Watertown Connecticut at about 3.00 o'clock, I sighted approximately 7 silver objects going at a extremely fast speed across the sky.

This may seem like a very rash statement, but let me explain. My Name is ~~_____~~ and I am attending Taft school in Watertown. I am fourteen years old. I was sitting on the soccer field under the goal post observing the suns corona, (the top of the post was obscuring the sun) when 7 very small silver objects went darting across the suns corona. At first, one went across at a very fast speed, and I thought I was seeing a rocket or a missile, but then, after 6 more passed by, also going at fantastic speeds, I concluded I was seeing either U.F.O.s or United States military weapons.

I would appreciate it very much if you would respond to my letter informing me if anybody else made similar observations, or if the U.S.A.F. was responsible for ~~that~~ my sightings. Thank you very much.

sincerely -

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