PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 (?) September 1962	2. LOCATION Cato, New York	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 GMT 21/2315Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4-8 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object with brightness of 4-5 magnitude star observed in wavy flight to SE. Part of flight obscured by clouds. Color changed or fluctuated with red the predominant color. Witness believed object outside of atmosphere.

11. COMMENTS

Report submitted in late February 1963 and witness not sure of date. Probably satellite sighting. No check possible without date. Case considered as a probable satellite sighting.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

[redacted]
Cato, New York
Feb 14, 1963

Project Blue Book Information Officer
SAFOI-3 Headquarters, USAF
The Pentagon, Room 4C-916
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

During the early summer of 1962, when I had just begun the process of being interested in astronomy and space science, I was observing the ~~sun~~ sunset with binoculars. When or after the sun had gone down an object caught my eye.

It was of the fifth or sixth and appeared to be changing colors, red being the dominant color. It seemed to be in a fixed position for about four to eight minutes and then started moving down towards the horizon, following a stairlike decline. After about three minutes it was gone.

I would appreciate it very much if you would investigate this for me. I have attempted to explain this but I cannot find a good explanation for this phenomenon.

Yours, truly
[redacted]

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

Day: _____ Month: Sept. Year: 1962

2. Time of day: Hour: 6 Minutes: 15

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. (Eastern) b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. (Daylight Saving) b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Nearest Postal Address: Cato, New York

City or Town: Cato

State or County: Cayuga

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) Hours: _____ Minutes: 4-8 Seconds: _____

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. (Not very sure)
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes _____ No X

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

(NIGHT)
a. (Bright)
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you b. In back of you c. To your right d. To your left e. Overhead f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight – pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

The object was of the 4th or 5th magnitude of a star.

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One):
a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

13. Did the object: *(Circle One for each question)*

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? Yes, The object made a train-like decline towards the horizon.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound None

b. Color The object appeared to be changing colors, red was dominant.

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? The whole object would have been covered

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

No wings, No Protrusions etc.

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? Probably outside the Atmosphere.

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

a. (Inside a building)
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. (In open countryside?)
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

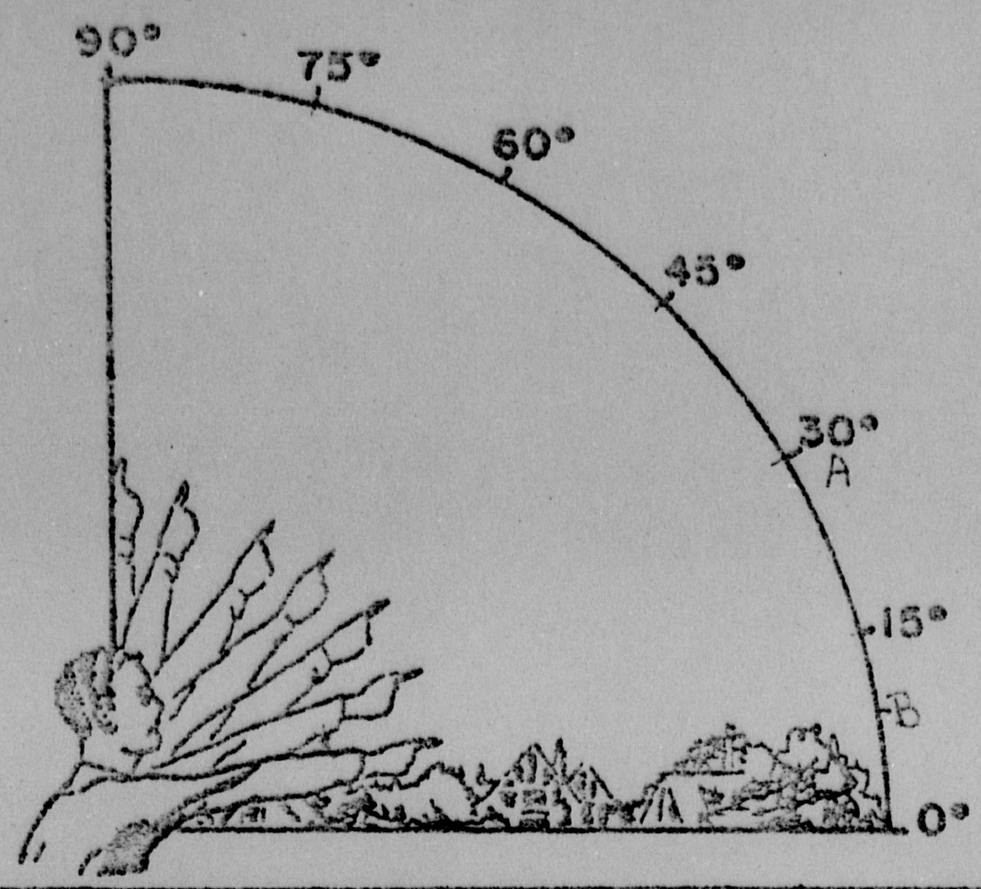
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

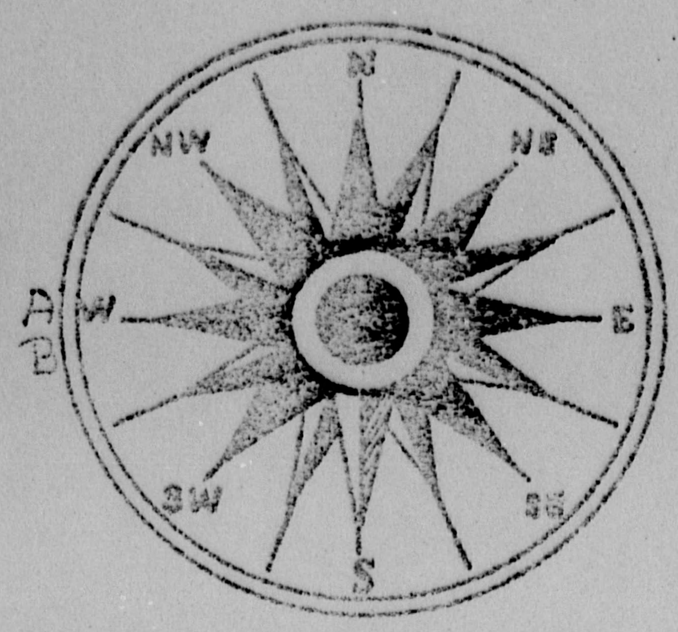
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	(Yes)	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. (Window glass)	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

The object may be compared with a jet about 10 miles away because of size.

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.





28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[redacted]
Fox Hill Road
Cato, New York

[redacted]
Fox Hill Road
Cato, New York

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Cato (City) (Zone) New York (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 14 SEX Male

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

I am especially interested in science and am particularly interested in astronomy, physics and chemistry. I have never had any special experience in the sightings of UFO's. I also like study and read any information I can get on the possibilities of life in the universe.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? [redacted]

Day ____ Month Sept. Year 1962

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 23 (Day) February (Month) 1963 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

[redacted]
Cato, New York
May 4, 1963

Project Blue Book Information Officer
SAFOI-3 Headquarters U.S.A.F.
Room 4c-916
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Gentlemen:

I am writing in regard to my reported sighting of an unidentified flying object(UFO). I believe that in my earlier letter I asked if you could possibly give me some explanation as to what it was, and then you sent me an eight page questionnaire. I promptly filled it out and sent it back to you. So in conclusion, could you possibly send me an answer to this letter and my question. Thank you very much.

Yours truly,

[redacted]

HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDE

20 May 1963

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting [redacted]

TO: Hq USAF SAF-OI 3b (Major Hart)
Wash 25 DC

1. Reference the attached letter fro[redacted] requesting information on a UFO sighting. The following information is provided to aid you in preparing a reply.

2. A report was received in February of 1963 concerning a sighting which occurred on or about 21 September 1962. Though no firm evaluation can be made due to the absence of exact date, the description of the sighting indicates that the object was probably a satellite. The wavering motion is attributed to atmospheric conditions.

FOR THE COMMANDER

for Robert J. Friend Lt Col
ERIC T. de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

2 Atch
1. Ltr fm P. [redacted], dtd 4 May 63.
2. Ltr fm [redacted], dtd 14 Feb 63 (cy only).

June 4, 1963

Mr. Mr. [redacted]

Though no firm evaluation can be made due to the absence of the exact date of your sighting, your description indicates that the object was probably a satellite. The wavering motion is attributed to atmospheric conditions.

Your interest in Air Force matters is appreciate.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. LOOKADOO
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