

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP <u>1947</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Alaska</u>
3. SOURCE <u>Not known</u>	10. CONCLUSION <u>Astro (DAYLIGHT HETTOR)</u>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>One</u>	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>Not reported</u>	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS <u>Case missing. Cards missing.</u>
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <u>Not reported</u>	
7. COURSE <u>Not reported</u>	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <u>Not reported</u>	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <u>Not reported</u>	



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Incident #72 -- Alaska -- 1947 (exact date not known)

From the scanty information available, it appears improbable that this object was astronomical, unless the report represents a highly garbled and subjective account of a daylight meteor. (The time of the sighting is not given, but it is assumed from the description of the incident that it occurred during daylight hours.)

It should be noted as a matter of general record that some of the reports received at observatories of recognized fireball falls are so highly colored and garbled that if the astronomer did not have independent evidence of the identity of the object, it would be impossible to determine from these reports.

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24 Jan 1949

HEADQUARTERS, AIR WEATHER SERVICE Andrews Air Force Base, Wash-  
ington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson  
Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio  
ATTN: MCIAKO

Investigations by this headquarters reveal that a synoptic  
weather balloon could have been at the location where sightings  
were reported in the following incidents. In compiling this  
list consideration was given to the wind direction and speed at  
the surface and aloft at the scheduled time of balloon release, and  
the location of the nearest weather station making balloon obser-  
vations.

2	52	91	126
3	72	93	148
4	73	94	155
25	78	105	166
28	81	113	169
36	87	115	172

FOR THE CHIEF AIR WEATHER SERVICE

2 Incls:  
n/o

/s/ W. A. West  
W. A. WEST  
Lt. Col., USAF  
Adjutant General

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SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

TO: Chief, Air Weather Service,  
Andrews Air Force Base,  
Washington 25, D. C.  
ATTN: DSS

1. Project "SIGN" is responsible for the collection, investigation and interpretation of data relative to sighting of unidentified flying objects. Attached Incident Summaries 1 thru 172 from the files of Project "SIGN" are forwarded for study and recommendations as to which of the incidents may be eliminated as balloons released on routine synoptic ascents by the Air Weather Service, the Navy Aerological Service or the United States Weather Bureau. The summaries attached may be retained in your headquarters for working and reference purposes.

2. The Air Weather Service is the only agency of its type that has been asked to assist in the accomplishment of Project "SIGN" except that the United States Weather Bureau has provided information on ball lightning. Research projects in which balloons are used and which are conducted or sponsored by the Army, Navy or United States Air Force are checked by the Intelligence Department of this Command. These checks are usually made direct from the Project "SIGN" Office, MCIAXO-3. These checks are distinct from the check of synoptic balloon flights made by weather service stations of the Air Force, the Navy and the Department of Commerce. (U. S. Weather Bureau) requested of Air Weather Service.

3. It is the opinion of this office that the below listed incidents are those having the greatest possibility of being balloons. This list does not eliminate the possibility that many of the remaining incidents are balloons.

2	24	50	91	113	155
3	25	52	92	115	156
4	28	72	96	126	157
11	30	73	104	141	159
14	31	81	105	148	163
16	32	87	107, 8, 9	151	167
22	33	89	112 (See 122)	154	169
23	43				

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Hq AMC, Chief, Air Weather Service, Washington 25, D. C.  
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4. The form used in interrogating witnesses to sightings is inclosed as a matter of interest. Comment as to possible improvement of the "Essential Elements of Information" in regard to routine synoptic balloon flights is invited.

5. It is requested that correspondence be forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command, attention MCIAXO-3.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls:  
Summaries 1-172 incl  
"EEI"

/s/ W. R. Clingerman, Col, USAF  
for H. E. McCOY  
Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Intelligence Dept

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Colonel Neal, MCLAWS



Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:

#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94,  
95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140,  
147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216,  
219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:

#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100,  
112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192,  
199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:

#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115,  
126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163,  
169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198,  
200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:

#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107,  
108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):

#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:

#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118,  
125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213,  
229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:

#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71,  
75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162,  
168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226,  
227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.