

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 August 1951		2. LOCATION Indianapolis, Ind.		12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1900 hrs CST</u> GMT <u>19/0110Z</u>		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 Military and civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION varied		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE West		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Appeared to be balloon.		11. COMMENTS Was definitely identified as Research Balloon.			

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FROM: APOIN 45831 14 Aug 51 (DTG 140532Z)

CIRVIS. Following message relayed from Olmstead Flight Service via Andrews AFB communications. Quoted Object sighted 1900 Central Standard Time and now visible overhead Indianapolis Indiana moving in westerly direction. Altitude estimated at 30,000 feet color silver. Appears to be plastic balloon. Indianapolis 120110Z received from Patterson area. Next to Lowery. Unquote. Subsequent request to Andrews AFB Communications for clarification and additional information elicited later statement that Wright-Patterson Flight Service duty Officer coordinated above sighting with Cambridge U Air Force R D Center. Balloon Project High altitude winds located Clinton County Ohio Airport. Research Center had tracked balloon over Indianapolis Indiana at time of sighting reported originally by Camp Atterbury Indiana Personnel.

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