

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 14 August 1951	2. LOCATION Rhein Main AB, Germany	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 14/2020Z	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 Mil (pilot)	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION UNK	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE S
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING First saw a light, the light seemed to fall slowly as suspended from a parachute then it leveled off into a southernly course, made a turn West, then a trn Est. Extremely fast. Round, white.		11. COMMENTS Sounds like a/c. However, reported as astronomical phenomena (?). Duration not included. Insufficient Data for analysis.

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REPORT NO.

GERMANY

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

METEOROLOGICAL PHENOMENON

DATE REPORTED ON

RHEIN MAIN AIR BASE, FRANKFURT, GERMANY

FROM (Agency)

S-2, 60th Troop Carrier Group () APO 57

NAME OF SOURCE

DATE OF INFORMATION

EVALUATION

24 August 1951

14 August 1951

BOMB

INTERVIEWER'S SIGNATURE

SOURCE

Capt., USAF

RALPH V. JOHNSON, 1st Lt., USAF
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

USAF Air Intel Requirements Memo # 6, dtd 4 Aug 51, Subj: Acoustic, Seismic and Meteorological Phenomenon

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final sentence paragraph. List sources at lower left. Report of report in AF Form 112, Part II.)

I. SUMMARY OF OBSERVATION

Description of meteorological phenomena observed from ground at RHEIN MAIN AIR BASE at 2020Z hours, August 1951.

II. SOURCE

A. General:

1. Name.....
2. Rank..... Captain
3. Serial Number..... AG 746953
4. Assigned to..... 10th Trp Carr Sq (N)
5. Years Service..... 9 Years
6. Years Rated..... 8 Years
7. Were Photos Taken..... No
8. Were Binoculars Used..... No

III. EVALUATION OF SOURCE

Source is well known to the interviewer and was evaluated as a mature, reliable and experienced flying officer.

IV. INTERVIEWER

JOSEPH H. RIGGIER Jr., Capt., USAF

RALPH V. JOHNSON
1st Lt. USAF
Group Intelligence Officer

V. COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

This confirms telephone flash report dtd 24 Aug 51.

NOTE:

CHARLES M. TINTON
Major, USAF
Intelligence Officer

AC/S, S-2, 12th AF (Original)
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A-2, 60th TCM - 1 cy
A-2, 433 TCM - 1 cy
S-2, 60th TIP - 1 cy

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I. DESCRIPTION OF METEOROLOGICAL PHENOMENON

A. Circumstances

1. Captain [REDACTED] AC [REDACTED] (SOURCE) and 2nd Lt. [REDACTED] AC [REDACTED] (COMPANION) had just landed from a local flight and were walking toward the 10th Squadron Operations Building. It was at this time (2020Z), 14 August 1951, that they observed the phenomenon.

B. Description

1. While on the ramp, SOURCE and companion first saw a light to the South of RHEIN MAIN AIR BASE. The light seemed to fall slowly as though suspended from a parachute, then leveled off on a southerly course, made a turn to the West, then a turn to the East. The southerly heading was maintained during these maneuvers.
2. The object, or light, appeared to travel extremely fast after leveling off.
3. A visible path was evident through very light clouds. Moonlight was quite bright.
4. The altitude of the light object was thought to be very high, but the brilliancy of the light made it appear to be much lower.
5. The light was round in shape, brilliantly white (not orange colored), left no trail (as a comet) and held a perfectly steady course subsequent to turns described above.
6. SOURCE and companion state that to the best of their knowledge, the light, or object, was not any known aircraft.

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Group Intelligence Officer

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