

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

DATE 28 August 52	LOCATION Palmyra, Pennsylvania	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 2150	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	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE civilian	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 min.	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING "Light"		11. COMMENTS

WPASS1

YMASS1

JEDLS A002

OPOP JEPHQ JEWNP JEDEN 333

DE JEDLS 2B

OP 242200Z

FM CO FLT OPS OLMSTED AFB MIDDLETOWN PENN

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/AIR TECHINTELCEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

INFO JEDWP/CG AMC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

FLYOB RPT MAEO-8-9 RE AFL 200-5 ON 24 AUG 52 APPROX 1650 EST A MR

[REDACTED] OF 1 MILE S OF CAMPBELLSTOWN PENN AT 40-15 N AND 76-35

W REPORTED SIGHTING A BRIGHT LIGHT TO THE LEFT OF HIS HOME. THE

LIGHT REMAINED IN THE SAME POSITION FOR APPROX 5 MIN AND THEN

DISAPPEARED. MR. [REDACTED] STATED THAT THE OBJECT WAS NOT TOO HIGH ABOVE

THE HORIZON ALSO THAT THERE WAS AN AIRPLANE FLYING IN THE VICINITY OF

THE LOCAL AIRPORT AND THAT THERE WAS AN OCCASIONAL REFLECTION FROM IT

BUT THAT THE OTHER OBJECT HAD NO SIMILARITY TO THE REFLECTION ON THE

AIRPLANE. THE 1630 OLMSTED WEATHER WAS CLEAR AND 15 WINDS FROM NW

AT 8.

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ACTION OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

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*2150Z*  
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## PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

## I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>24 Jul 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Palmyra, Pa.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>1750</i> Zebra: <i>2150</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input type="checkbox"/> Steady
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) <i>Intelligence office, Plumstead AFB, Pa.</i>		

## II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>None</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Night		
<input type="checkbox"/> Day		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunset		

## III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft		
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA?  Yes  No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 50 Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Harrisburg	P	W.B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Unreliable
- Extremely Doubtful
- Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- Was Balloon
- Probably Balloon
- Possibly Balloon
- Was Aircraft
- Probably Aircraft
- Possibly Aircraft

- Was Astronomical
- Probably Astronomical
- Possibly Astronomical
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

( PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SH(

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION	3. STATION OBSERVING
4. WINDS ALOFT:		
ALTIUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0		
1,000		
2,000	8	315
3,000		
4,000		
5,000		
6,000		
7,000		
8,000		
9,000		
10,000		
12,000		
14,000		
16,000		
18,000		
20,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____ )		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><input type="checkbox"/> No</span>
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____ )		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><input type="checkbox"/> No</span>
7. CLOUD COVER: _____ tenths at _____ feet.      _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.      _____ tenths at _____ feet.		8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.
9. COMMENTS:		

COUNTRY United States	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT (UNCLASSIFIED) Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (Short Title: FLYORRPT)		
AREA REPORTED ON Middletown Air Materiel Area	FROM (Agency) Intelligence Office Olmsted Air Force Base, Middletown, Pa.	
DATE OF REPORT 27 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 25 August 1952	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) John L. Spiegel, 2d Lt, USAF	SOURCE Civilian Observer	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Air Force Letter No. 200-5, 29 Apr 52		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		
<p>Mr. ██████████ Palmyra, Penna., ██████████ reported sighting an unidentified flying object on 24 August at 2150Z.</p> <p>Mr. ██████████ described a "very bright" light in the West approximately 45° above the horizon which remained stationary in the sky. The light was visible for approximately five minutes and three times during this period it "blinked on and off". At the end of five minutes it disappeared and did not reappear.</p> <p>Three other members of Mr. ██████████ family also witnessed the sightings. Mr. ██████████ is employed as a signal maintainer on the Reading Railroad.</p> <p>The observer explained that there was an aircraft in the area at the time which he was also observing, but he stated that the reflections from the plane were quite different from the light which he reported.</p> <p>Weather at the time was clear with 15 miles visibility with winds at 8 from the northwest.</p> <p>This office can offer no definite explanation of the sighting. The length of observation seems to discount the probability of an aircraft but it would appear that a weather balloon is still a strong possibility.</p>		
<p>0 INCL.</p>		
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