

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 Oct 52	2. LOCATION DALLAS TEX	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 28/1812 CST GMT 29/0012 Z	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
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE NW	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical (M/T) (M/T) (M/T) <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COLOR NW <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Orange object descending on slight dive angle, fired rockets and disappeared. Observed by qualified flight personnel at Love Field in Dallas.		11. COMMENTS 1. See Flyolight, Paoli, Okla., same date.

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~~████████████████████~~ FBW140IN-10-642 PD FLYOBRYT OBSERVED UNIDENTIFIED ORANGE COLORED OBJECT CMA FIRST APPEARING AS THE EXHAUST OR RUNNING LIGHTS OF AN A/C CMA THEN APPEARING TO LEAVE A TRAIL SIMILAR TO AN AFTERBURNER EXHAUST CMA. DESCENDING ON A FLT PATH GENERALLY SE TO NW ON A DIVE ANGLE OF APRX 20 DEGREES CMA SPEED UNKNOWN BUT THE OBJECT COMPLETED AN ARC OF ABOUT 15 DEGREES IN 4 SECONDS CMA THEN IT SEEMED TO FIRE A NUMBER OF ROCKETS AND VANISHED PD THERE WAS NO CHANGE OF FLT PATH CMA NOTHING TO INDICATE A CRASH OND NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE LIGHT HAD DONE MORE THAN BURN OUT PD THE BURSTS OF LIGHT PREVIOUSLY REFERRED TO AS ROCKETS LOOKED EXACTLY LIKE 5 INCH HVAR FIRED AT

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THAT TIME OF DAY PD OBSERVED AT 1812CST 28 OCT 52 FOR ABOUT 4
SECONDS CMA VISUALLY FROM LOVE FIELD CMA DALLAS CMA TEXAS PD
OBJECT WAS ON A BEARING OF 180 DEGREES ^{Due South} FROM GATE NUMBER SEVEN
OF THE TERMINAL AND ABOUT 15 OR 20 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON
CMA DISTANCE UNKNOWN PD OBSERVER FIRST LT WALTER H PD BAXTER CMA III
CMA USAF CMA 20103A PD WITNESSES WERE DR AND MRS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OF ARLINGTON STATE COLLEGE CMA ARLINGTON CMA TEXAS PD DR
PD [REDACTED] IS A FORMER LT COMDR AND NAVY PILOT PD LT BAXTER
IS A RATED PILOT ON FLYING STATUS AND HAS RECENTLY RETND FROM
IR COMBAT IN KOREA PD BELIEVE BOTH INDIVIDUALS CAN BE CONSIDERED
RELIABLE PD THE SKY WAS CLEAR AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED PD
SIGHTING WAS REPORTED TO THE WX OFFICE AND NOTHING WAS SAID REGARDING
ANY ACTIVITY OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTING PD
TRAJECTORY BELIEVED TOO FLAT FOR A METEOR PD
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
FLYORPT - Report of Unidentified Flying Object.

AREA REPORTED ON Dallas, Texas	FROM (Agency) 140th Ftr-Bmr Wg, (Intel. Section)
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DATE OF REPORT 31 October 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 28 October 1952	EVALUATION B-2
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PREPARED BY (Officer) Thomas E. Smith, Capt. USAF	SOURCE 1st Lt. Walter H. Baxter, III, 20D3A
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
FBWL40IN-10-642, 30 October 1952

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.)

Confirmation of FLYORPT rendered by TWX FBWL40IN-10-642, 30 October 1952, concerning observation of an unidentified flying object at 1812 CST, 28 October 1952, at Love Field, Dallas, Texas. Signed narrative appears on page 2, Part II.

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NARRATIVE BY 1ST LT. WALTER H. BAXTER, III, 20103A

At 1812 CST, 28 October 1952, while waiting for a commercial airliner at Love Field, Dallas, Texas, I visually observed an unidentified flying object on a bearing of 180 degrees from Gate # 7 of the terminal. Its flight path was generally SE to NW at a dive angle of approximately 20 degrees. Its position was some 15 or 20 degrees above the horizon, distance unknown. Its speed was unknown, but the object completed an arc of about 15 degrees in four (4) seconds.

There was considerable air traffic in the vicinity (normal Love Field activity) and there was enough light that aircraft were identifiable as to general type when viewed in the southwest, the sun to the rear. I first noticed an orange colored light which appeared to be nothing more than the exhaust or running lights of an aircraft. Then, I noticed that the light gave off an exhaust trail similar to that of an afterburner. I watched the light in its descending path for about four (4) seconds when it seemed to fire a number of "rockets" and vanished. There was no change in flight path, nothing to indicate a crash, and no reason to believe that the light had done more than burn itself out. The bursts of light previously referred to as "rockets" looked exactly like five (5) inch HVAR fired at that time of day.

The sighting was also witnessed by Dr. and Mrs. [redacted] of Arlington State College, Arlington, Texas. [redacted] stated that he was a former Lt. Comdr. and Navy Pilot.

Dr. [redacted] and I reported the sighting to the U.S. Weather Office at Love Field who apparently did not know what to do about it. No information was written down, nor did the individual concerned take our names. Nothing was said concerning any condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting. The sky was clear and visibility excellent.

I am a rated pilot on flying status and returned from air combat operations in Korea in late August 1952.

Walter H. Baxter, III
WALTER H. BAXTER, III
1st Lt. USAF
20103A

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. Observer was questioned as to whether the object could have possibly been a meteor. He stated that the trajectory was too flat for it to have been a meteor. As to source, Lt. Baxter is newly assigned this organization as of 29 Aug 1952. However, he has proven himself to be a sober, reliable individual, and his record bears this out.

W.H.B.