

PROJECT ROYAL RECORD CARD

1. DATE	17 Nov 52	2. LOCATION	FLORENCE, S.C.	12. CONCLUSIONS
3. REPORTING GROUP	17/2213 EST 17/2213	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Search Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Sifted <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Sifted <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Sifted
5. FACTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE	Airline pilot, Weather Observer	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
7. DURATION OF OBSERVATION	6 min.	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	1	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
9. DAILY SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	Bright object, thick at center and tapering at edges sighted by several experienced observers: Airport manager, airline pilot, weather observer and radio and Tower operators.			<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> In-sufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

1. Jet aircraft due over Florence at the time; object in question had no sound, was moving slowly and could have been jet at high altitude. No contrails reported.

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FM LT R. M. OLSSON, ATIAI 29 Jan 53  
TO CAPT HARRY SMITH, AFOIN-2A2.  
SECURITY INFORMATION. ATIC HEREBY FORWARDS  
INFORMATION ASKED FOR IN TELEPHONE  
CONVERSATION 23 JAN 53. SUBJECT:  
SIGHTING IN FLORENCE, S. C., 17 NOV 52.  
ORIGINAL TWX MESSAGE BASED ON AF LETTER  
200-5 FOLLOWS: QUOTE, 1. BRIGHT OBJ.,  
ELLIPTICAL IN SHAPE. THICK IN CENTER AND  
TAPERING TO EDGES. SLOW IN SPEED.  
EXHAUST, SOUND, PROPULSION SYST, UNKNOWN.  
2. FIRST SIGHTING - 1713/E; SECOND  
SIGHTING - 1715/E; THIRD SIGHTING  
- 1721/E. FIRST OBSERVER WATCHED OBJECT  
FOR SIX MINUTES AFTER SIGHTING. 3. METHOD  
OF SIGHTING - VISUAL. 4. FLORENCE  
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, S. C. 18 TO 20 MILES  
NORTH DARLINGTON, S. C., CITY OF FLORENCE,  
S. C., SIGHTED BY DRIVER ON HIGHWAY  
BETWEEN MARION, S. C. AND SUMTER, S. C.  
5. SEVERAL QUALIFIED OBSERVERS: 1. E.  
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT MANAGER: CAPTAIN OF  
EASTERN AIRLINES, WEATHER OBSERVER, RADIO  
OPERATOR AND TOWER OPERATOR FROM FLORENCE

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MUNIC. AIRPORT. 6. WX - CAVU. WINDS OVER  
FLORENCE 310 DEGREES, 20 KNOTS. 7.  
UNKNOWN, 8. UNKNOWN, 9. NONE. 10.  
JET A/C RPTD DUE TO RPT OVER FLORENCE  
RADIO AT APPROX SAME TIME. UNQUOTE  
ATIC EVALUATION: JET AIRCRAFT DUE OVER FLORENCE  
AT THE TIME; OBJECT IN QUESTION HAD  
NO SOUND, WAS MOVING SLOWLY AND COULD HAVE  
BEEN JET AT HIGH ALTITUDE. NO CONTRAILS  
REPORTED.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS;  
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 15 YEARS;  
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TO JEPHQ/DI HQS USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/ATIC, WRIGHT PATTERN AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO

INFO JEPLG/CG TAG LANGLEY AFB VA

JESDF/CG AF NINE POPE AFB NC

~~REDACTED~~ RWOPS 0483 FLYOBREP. REF AFL 200-5, PAR C.

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CAPTAIN OF EASTERN AIRLINES, WEATHER OBSERVER, RADIO OPERATOR, AND TOWER OPERATOR FROM FLORENCE MUNIC AIRPORT.

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REPORT NO.  
IR-61-52

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT  
Unidentified Flying Object (FLYOBJRPT)

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AREA REPORTED ON  
Newfoundland

TO  
Dir/Int, NEAC

DATE OF REPORT  
1 December 1952

DATE OF INFORMATION  
17 November 1952

CLASSIFICATION  
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POST OFFICE ADDRESS  
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SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in first one or two paragraphs. List references in footnotes. Do not exceed 10% of report.)  
1. The Following information was reported to the Director of Intelligence, Northeast Air Command, and is of interest to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-A2c, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio.

2. The Commanding Officer, McAndrew AFB, Newfoundland made the following report on an unidentified flying object.

3. On 17 November 1952 at 0917Z, S/Sgt Canny reported seeing an object. It was sighted moving over McAndrew towards Red Island, 4723N/5410W, with an unknown altitude. Object was going in which he believed to be a circular motion and climbing at a terrific speed. Object was of a white color at that time. Object then started moving southeast towards Placentia, 4714N/5353W, and then took about a 160° left angle turn towards Fox Harbor, 4713N/5355W, before disappearing at 0942Z. Object during this time seemed to change from a white color to an orange-like color and then to a green color. A/26 [redacted], A/10 [redacted] and S/Sgt [redacted] also witnessed the same phenomena.

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. Weather conditions prevailing during the period of sighting: estimated 2000 feet overcast, 10 miles visibility, temperature 33 degrees, wind from the northeast at 6 knots.

2. There was no activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

3. No interception or identification action was taken.

*Nathan J. Meyerson*  
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Captain, USAF  
Ch, Service Division

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