

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8 Jul 53 08/2227Z	2. LOCATION Tinker AB, Oklahoma
3. SOURCE CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION CONFIRMED BALLOON OBSERVATION
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS ONE	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-4 min	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION GROUND VISUAL	
7. COURSE STATIONARY	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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1. DATE July 1953	2. LOCATION Tinker AFB, Oklahoma	3. SOURCE military	
4. TIME Local 1627EST Z 2227Z	5. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	6. SHAPE round	7. COLOR white
8. COURSE Onward	9. ALTITUDE	10. ANGULAR VELOCITY ° per second	11. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. TYPE OF OBSERVATION visual	13. LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 3-4 minutes	14. MANEUVERS	
15. CONCLUSIONS one round white object, no trail or exhaust, no method of propulsion noted, little or no motion, no sound, holding altitude until object disappeared in the far sky.	16. COMMENTS 1) no R/C in area. 2) balloon released at 2100 by 6th area. balloon still aloft at 2350Z. 3) Upon receipt of Tinker word: aloft data approximately that 2100+ balloons 4) Weather 20 being cold - wind, drift and balloon touch 5) [REDACTED] just not yet received.		

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3. R. file  
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CC JEDEN JEDUP JEPHQ 333

CC CUTTER 1A

CC 0900Z 25Z ZNU

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1A CONDR CCAMA TINKER AFB OKLA

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASHDC

JEDUP/AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CTR WRIGHT PATERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CONDR ENT AFB COLO

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[REDACTED] EO-2T-7-1 -E FOR ATIAA-2C FLYCRYPT

/1/ ONE ROUND WHITE SHINY OBJECT NO TAIL OR EXHAUST NO APPARENT METHOD OF PROPULSION WITH LITTLE SIGN OF MOTION NO SOUND HOLDING ALTITUDE UNTIL OBJECT DISAPPEARED IN OPEN SKY.

/2/ 0322Z THREE TO FOUR MINUTES

/3/ VISUAL FROM SURFACE

/4/ THIRTY-FIVE DEGREES LAT. 25 MINUTES 15 SECONDS 97 DEGREES LONG.

25 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST SIDE OF TINKER AIR FORCE BASE GATE NUMBER 35.

/5/ MR. [REDACTED] PATROLIAN GUARD FORCE TINKER AIR FORCE BASE OKLA. HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED] OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA. A/MC [REDACTED]

sent question

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AND AIR [REDACTED] NOTI FROM STM MOBILE WEATHER SQUADRON  
OKLA.

16/2,000 FT 320 DEGREES 15 KNOTS; 25,000 FT 292 DEGREES 21 KNOTS;  
3,000 FT 230 DEGREES 15 KNOTS; 35,000 FT 220 DEGREES 21 KNOTS; 4,000  
FT 200 DEGREES 17 KNOTS. 0821 Z OBSERVATION. WEATHER AT 102130Z  
SCT 25,000 FT VIS 15 MILES SOUTHEAST AT 2-3 KTS  
17/ BALLOON RELEASED BY 6TH MOBILE WEATHER SQUADRON AT 0821Z EXCITED  
BY UNIT CHIEF CLAUDE R RIGSON, ROY J REED CHIEF CIVILIAN AIR POLICE  
BEGUN A PACK CIVILIAN INVESTIGATION AIR PROVOST MARTIAL UNIT THROUGH  
BINOCULARS AND A/C R G WHEELER, A/C D L LORD. THE LATTER TWO MEN WERE  
IN THE CONTROL TOWER AND CONFIRMED SIGHTING BALLOON WITH INSTRUMENTS  
DRAGGING AT 0835Z

101 NO. 2.

1000Z 10AD 1000 33RD ADIV NOTIFIED AND REPORTED OBJECT SOUTHEAST MOVING  
100 MILES PER HOUR. 2229

## 3000 FLIGHT OPERATIONS BRANCH

S/2002 Z JUL JUFUK

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FROM: (Originator)

COMINT ATIC

TO: COMINT OCAMA TINKER AFB OKLA

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP 092000Z JUL 53		SEARCHED
PRECEDENCE FOR:	ACTION ROUTINE	INFORMATION
<input type="checkbox"/> BOOK MESSAGE	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL MESSAGE	
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE ADDRESS	CRYPTOPRECAUTION	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
REFERS TO MESSAGE:		
IDENTIFICATION OCEO-2T-7-10-2	CLASSIFICATION	

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FROM: AFOMR-ATIAZ-7-11-2

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Reference your FLYCRIPT OCEO-2T-7-10-2 reporting one round, white, shiny object sighted 0822Z, ATIC requests wire answer to the following questions: 1) What were the estimated azimuth and elevation readings of the unidentified object sighting by Mr. Jarrett; and the azimuth and elevation readings of the balloon sighted by civilian and military observers through binoculars at 2350Z? ATIC attempting to establish that both sightings were of the same object - the balloon. 2) Did the 33rd AD report any radar contact in the area at the time of sighting?

ATIC has received three sightings of unidentified objects from you recently. Suggest you contact Lt Kenneth Knapp, Intelligence Officer, 33rd AD. He would be able to brief Tinker tower personnel, weather personnel, and civilian guards on unidentified flying objects. ATIC believes 8 July sighting was of a balloon, possibility of the two preceding sightings also being weather balloons.

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FROM: (Originator)

COMINT ATIC

TO:

INFO:

Videos film received but as yet not processed. Under separate cover you will receive questionnaire, briefing booklet, and latest Status Report for Project Blue Book.  
 In reply cite Project Blue Book.

## COORDINATIONS:

ATIAS-5 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lt Olsson

ATIAS \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Col Johnston

ATIA \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Col McDowell

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RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

OFFICIAL TITLE ROBERT C. BROWN, MAJOR, USAF  
ADJUTANT

DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

LT R.M. OLSSON/70

SYMBOL ATIAS-5

TELEPHONE 03365

AIR FORCE

JWFK 15

MR JEDNP

DE JWFK 158A

R 132215Z ZMJ

FM COMDR OCALA TINKER AFB OKLA

TO COADR ATIC WRIGHT PATTISON AFB OHIO

RECORDED IN [REDACTED] OCIS-7-4-E URGENT AFOM-ATIAE-7-11-E CITE PROJECT

BLUE BOOK. QUESTION 1/UNIDENTIFIED OBF SIGHTED BY JARRETT IVEY EST ELEVATION 3000 FEET, AZIMUTH 0 /OVERHEAD/ 1ST OBSERVATION DISAPPEARED AZIMUTH 270 DEGREES. BALLOON OBSR BY MIL AND CIV THROUGH BINOCULARS EST ELEVATION 3000 FEET, AZIMUTH 135 DEGREES. QUESTION 2/ NO RADAR CONTACT BY 33D ADIV AT TIME OF SIGHTING.

132215Z JUL JWFK

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(1, white, round, shiny object)

20,000 ft 16 knts  
210 sec sounding

25/21

270° ←

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X TINKER

SIGHT. MARS HORN  
AT 2227Z - object  
overhead at first  
then went below.

→ 90°

X Support balloon seen  
by Tinker from balloons

90/15



NEATH PT  
2330Z  
35,000 ft / 10 km

BALLOON BY 6 <sup>TH</sup> W.H.	-	2100 ±
SIGHTING AT	-	2227 ±
BALLOON NOTICED BY TOWER	-	2350 ±

2227	
2100	
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1 hr. 27 min after	
2350	Grenade
2100	
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1 hr. 45 min after	
Tower	

If the sighting was of 6<sup>th</sup>'s radar wind balloon,  
this ball. would have been at 87,000 ft. - it seems  
improbable that even a balloon up 9 ft. radar  
wind could be seen at this height.

The balloon noticed by Tower - if released at 2100±  
would be at approx. 117,000 ft. too high to be the  
2100 ± something.

Note:

US Army Weather Bureau released a balloon at 2100 ±  
according to R.R. Nichols.

ATLAS-5/RMO/vs

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In reply refer to  
AFORN-APLAR-5

SUBJECT: (Uncl) Unidentified Flying Objects

08/22/12  
Tinker AFB, OK

TO: Commander  
Oklahoma City Air Materiel Area  
Tinker Air Force Base  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Inclosed are five USAF Technical Information Sheets, one Project Blue Book Status Report, and two ADC Special Briefing booklets as was stated in our electrical message of 9 July 1953 for your information and retention.

015 File

- 3 Inccls  
1. USAF Tech Info Sheets (5)  
2. ADC Special Briefings (2)  
3. Status Report No. 10

COORDINATION:

ATLAS-5 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Lt Olsson

ATLAS \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Col Johnston

ATLA \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Col McDuffee

If Inclosure 3 Is withdrawn (or  
not attached), the classification of this cor-  
respondence will be downgraded to *Ref* in  
accordance with paragraph 25E, AFM205-1.

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