PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1 Oct 54 01/0900Z	ZERBST, GERMANY
3. SOURCE CIVILIAN (PAA) 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS ONE	OTHER: MUNITIONS TEST
SEVERAL SECONDS	PAA flight in Berlin Corridor observed 4 - 3 MIG's. Source also observed a falling obj 5 - 7 miles to the right of his a/c, while at 5,000 ft. Obj appeared to be falling vertically with trail much like a flare. Glow was intense and concealed the configuration of the obj. No smoke, just trail like flame. When obj struck the ground there appeared to be a boiling action and black smoke immediately followed. At this time the view was obstructed by clouds. COMMENTS: Apparently a munitions test of some sort with a short burning interval.
ATR VISUAL	
7. COURSE C FALLING	
8. PHOTOS D Yes No PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
□ Yes	

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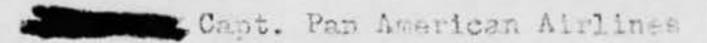
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1. On 1 October 1954, Captain Rickard, Pan American Airlines pilot offered to this office the following information;

a. PAA outbound flight #185 from Berlin to RHEIN/MAIN vin the south corritor was approaching ZERBST Airfield (5200N/120SE) when Coptain The noticed MIG-15 type aircraft flying N to S in the area. The MIG-15 type aircraft were flying in "V" formation of 3 or 4 aircraft. Altitude of PAA aircraft was 7,000 feet climbing, broken scattered clouds above and below altitude. At approximatley 0900Z., as PAA flight approached ZERBST, source also observed and unidentified object falling toward the edge of a wooded area at approximately (5208N/1208E). The unidentified object was approximatley five miles to seven miles to the right of PAA air waft's cosition and at time of first visual contact 5,000 feet. Source observed no aircraft or contrails in the area of the falling object. Source elated that the unidentified object appeared to be falling almost vertically and emitted a glow much like a flare. The appeared very intense and concealed the configuration of falling object. No smoke trail observed behind unidentified object. When object struck the ground source stated that an intense, x2 red-orangecolored, dome shaped flame appeared which At their this time source's view was obscured by soud which lasted only a few seconds. After soud was passed thry source saw no further effect on ground in aforementioned area and no alreraft was observed flying in this area.

> #S/ EDVARD J. FILECKI 1st Lt., USAF Air Intellignace Officer

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