PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 August 1956	Spragueville,	Maine	12. CONCLUSIONS D Was Balloon Probably Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 17/1550Z 5. PHOTOS X P No	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual Ground-Radar Air-Visual XX Air-Intercept Rada 6. SOURCE Military		Probably Balloon Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Was Astronomical Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION three minutes	see below	9. COURSE unknown	Other
This sighting, as not picked up on airborne appeared on radar sco craft or one large ai aircraft lost radar cat 4000 yards. At this radar observer felt the been able to see object Radar observer estimate was moving at over 500 tracked for three min	radar. Object pe as two air- rcraft. Intercept ontact with object s time pilot and hey should have ct visually. ted that object OK. Object was utes.	assigned to lon 20 Aug 56, investigation tsighting was an aircraft. Disposition	vestigation was Flt 3-G, 4602d AISS Results of the indicate that the probably caused by A copy of the form from OIC, Flt rded for your infor-

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

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"(U) Request for UFO Report Analysis

TO: AFOIN-4E4

FROM: AFOIN-4E1

ATTN: Capt Gregory

DATE: 25 Sep 56 COMMENT NR 2
AFOIN-4EIa/Mr. Bryant/mkh 72131/Bldg 263/Post D-12

- 1. Although this report is more thoroughly documented than most, it is impossible to make a positive identification of the source of the radar signals. The fact that the radar return was as large as a formation of 2 aircraft, (or 1 large aircraft) at 12 miles, yet was not observed visually at 4000 yards in daylight under good conditions, tends to indicate either equipment malfunction or some other source rather than a material target.
- 2. The fact that the radar operator's scope and the pilot's scope displayed two different sets of conditions, according to their accounts, would also indicate possible malfunction of the AI radar.

1 Incl n/c

GORDON C HOFFMAN, Col, USAF

Chief, AFOIN-4E1

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

DISPOSITION FORM

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

(U) Request for UFO Report Analysis

TO: AFOIN-4E1
ATTN: Mr. James

FROM AFOIN-4E4

DATE 21 Aug 56 COMMENT NO. 1 4E4/Capt Gregory/1c/69216

1. In accordance with established ATIC policies for the analysis of UFO reports, request your review and comments regarding the attached report of a radar UFO.

2. Subject sighting will be tentatively placed in an "unknown" category, pending your written opinions or conclusions.

1 Incl TT MSG #76H11-2 dtd 18 Aug 56 HENRY ADMILEY
AFOIN-4E4

TO RUEDEN/COMBR ADC ENT AFB COLO RUEPNB/COMBR EADF STEWART AFB NY

DR 32ND AIR DIV (FRL SYR AFS NY

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELL CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB 2410

RJEPHQ/DIR INTELL HQ USAF WAUHINGTON 25 DC

INFO ZEN/COMDR 23RD FTR GP (AD) ATTN: D/O PIAFB ME

BT

/UNCLASSIFIED/ 76H11-2 PD UFOB PD THE FOLL IAW PAR 7 AFR 200-2 CLN

- (1) UNKNOWN CHM EXCEPT (1) BRIGHT RETURN ON SCOPE PD
- (2) (A) APPEARED ON RADAR OBSERVERS SCOPE AT TWELVE (12) MILES PD

 R/O STATES BLIP SIMILAR TO FORMATION OF TWO (2) A/C OR ONE

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 (1) LG A/C PD PLT LOCKED ON PD
 - (B) LEVEL CMM SIXTY-IVE (65) DEGREES PORT PD
 - (C) FORTY (49) TO FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREES HIGH CMM SINTY-FIVE (65)
 - (D) CROSSED IN FRONT OF A/C CLN A/C ON FORTY-FIVE (45) DEGREE "
 ANGLE TO OBJECT (CONVERGING STERN QUARTER) PD
 - (E) WENT OFF SIDE OF SCOPE AT 4220 (FOUR THOUSAND) YARDS PD
 - (F) THREE (3) MINUTES PD
- (3) (A) AIR-ELECTRONIC CLN APG-42 TYPE RADAR PD
 - (B) N/A
 - (C) F-89-D-75 CMM CALL SIGN BENEFICIAL 28 CMM A/C NUMBER 54259

 " CMM TWENTY THOUSAND (29,500) FEET CMM ONE HUNDRED SIXTY

 (160) DEGREES CMM TWO HUNDRED THIRTY (230) KNOTS INDICATED

 " CMM PIAFB PD
- (4) (A) 7/1555Z AUG 56 PD
 - (B) DAY PD
- (5) UPROM TEN (10) MILES SOUTH SOUTH WEST (SSW) OF SPRAGUEVILLE RADIO
 "ON INITIAL" PICKUP
- (6) (A) N/A
 - (B) (1) CMA 2/LT CMM 75TH FINCEPTRON CMA PILOT

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(A) N/A

CMA 2/LT CMM 75TH FINCEPTRON CMA PILOT

" . CMA .VERY GOOD CLN

(2) HARVILLE E HOBBS CMA 2/LT CMA 75TH FINCEPTRON CMA RADAR ÓBSERVER CMA VERY GOOD PD

- KA) CLEAR CMA VISABILITY UNLIMITED CMA SCATTEREDCUMULUS PD
 - (B) SURFACE CLN SSE AT TWO (2) CLN

SO, DOG CLN UNK AT UNK PD

6900 CLN -99 AT FIVE (5) CLN 10,000 CLN 360 AT TEN"(10) CLN 15,000 CLN 330 AT FIVE (5) CLN 20,000 CLN 290 AT TEN (10) CLN 30,000 CLN 291 AT TWENTY-FIVE (25) CLN 50,000 CLN 270 AT FORTY (40) CLN

(C) NONE PD

(D) MINE (9) MILES PD

(E) THREE-TENTHS (3/10THS) CIRRUS BASE AT 30,000 CLN ZERO-TENTHS (OMOPTHS) CUMULUS AT 3,500 PD

(F) NEGATIVE PD

(S) NIA PD

(9) N/A PD

(10) NONE PD

(11) TWO (2) F-89D TO WEST AT 25,000 FEET AND 18,000 FEET RESPECTIVELY CLN ONE (1) SINGLE ENGINE JET ACFT AT 40,000 FEET AT OVER 600 KNOTS HEADED NORTH FROM SOUTH AND RETURNING SOUTH PD

) PILOT

- RIPORTS CONSTANT TWO HUNDRED THIRTY (232) KNOT GVERTAKE AND THAT DOT REMAINED ON CENTER OF HIS SCOPE FOR APPROX TWO (2) MIMUTES THEN DRIFTED TO RIGHT . PD RADAR OBSERVER INSISTS TARGET WAS MOVING AND ESTIMATES SPEED AS OVER FIVE HUNDRED (500)

KNOTS TRUE PD THIS OBSERVATION ELIMINATES THE POSSIBILITY OF UFOB BEING A WEATHER BALLOON (A BALLOON WAS RELEASED AT CARIBOU WEATHER STA AT 1535Z) IF OBSERVATION IS CORRECT PD OBSERVATION BELIEVED VERY PROBABLY CORRECT BY PREPARING OFFICER PD CAUSE OF SIGHTING THEREFORE COMPLETELY UNKNOWN PD PREPARING OFFICER IS 1ST LT JOHN B NEWHALL II CHM INTELLIGENCE OFF CHM 75TH FINCEPTRON PD

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18/2144Z AUG RJEPSN

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- ON INITIAL PICKUP
- (A) N/A

STH FINCEPTRON CMA PILOT

- CITA VERY GOOD CLN
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- KA) CLEAR CHA VISABILITY UNLIMITED CHA SCATTEREDCINIULUS PD
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