

**PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD**

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| <b>1. DATE</b><br>26 August 1956  | <b>2. LOCATION</b><br>Hyattsville, Maryland  | <b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <i>Mars</i><br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| <b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b><br>Local _____<br>GMT 27/0300Z  | <b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |
| <b>5. PHOTOS</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | <b>6. SOURCE</b><br>Civilian   |  |
| <b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b><br>two hours  | <b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b><br>one   | <b>9. COURSE</b><br>South<br>rising /in orbit  |
| <b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b><br>One object, with appearance of a "conical shredded parachute." Object had reddish to whitish glow. Object noticed by observer because it seemed to be an unusually bright star. Obj sighted in the SE at an elevation of about 15 dgr. Obj was rising slowly & moving south. Object was seen visually & through binoculars for two hours & was still in sight at time of rpt. |  | <b>11. COMMENTS</b><br>Sighting was undoubtedly caused by Planet Mars. Evaluated as astronomical.  |

ATIN: AFOIN-4C1 AND AFUOP AND AFUOP-CP

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1. (A) CONICAL SHREDDED PARACHUTE, (B) ONE TWENTIETH DIAMETER OF FIELD BINOCULARS (DETAILS OF BINOCULARS UNKNOWN), (C) REDDISH TO WHITISH GLOW (D) ONE (E) N/A (F) APPEARANCE OF QUOTE SHREDDED PARACHUTE UNQUOTE, (G) N/A, (H) NONE REPORTED (I) NONE REPORTED. (2) (A) OBSERVER WAS ATTRACTED BY WHAT SEEMED TO BE UNUSUALLY BRIGHT STAR. (B) OBSERVER SAYS SOUTH EAST AND ABOUT 15 DEGREE ABOVE HORIZON BUT HAD DIFFICULTY IN MAKING UP HER MIND. (C) STILL VISIBLE AT 270300Z (D) RAISING SLOWLY AND MOVING IN

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SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. (E) SEE2C ABOVE, (F) FROM 270100Z. (3) (A) GROUND VISUAL, (B) BINOCULARS (C) N/A. (4) (A) 270100Z (B) NIGHT (5) [REDACTED], MD ABOUT ONE MILE EAST OF HYATTSVILLE, MD. (6) (A) MRS. [REDACTED] AT ABOVE ADDRESS (7) (A) NOT GIVEN. (B) CALM AT SURFACE NO OTHER WIND DATA AVAILABLE AT TIME OF DISPATCH THIS MESSAGE. (C) CLEAR, (D) SEVEN MILES, (E) NONE, (F) NOEN(8) NONE KNOWN AT TIME THIS MESSAGE (NOTE: ALL DATA IN ITEMS 7 AND 8 ARE FROM A.W.S. AT BOLLING AFB) (9) UNKNOWN (10) UNKNOWN (11) AFOIN DUTY OFFICER. NO COMMENTS (12) NONE.

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BALL CLOTHES NO COMMERCIAL (75) MOVE

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