

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 1 December 1957	2. LOCATION Hamburg, Germany		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1630 GCT</u> GMT <u>01/1530Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Physical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Specimen	6. SOURCE Civilian		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION unknown	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Parachute Flare <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One brightly burning object fell in vicinity, Hamburg, Germany. Object struck the earth at an angle of 30 dgrs above the horizon. Grass in vicinity of impact was singed and covered with a white grey oxide residue. No metal pieces recovered.		11. COMMENTS Analysis of residue revealed magnesium and aluminum oxides with the former predominant in quantity. ATIC concurs in conclusion object was parachute flare.	

NOTE: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE LAWS, TITLE 18, U. S. C., SECTIONS 793 AND 794. THE TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. REPRODUCTION OF THIS MATERIAL IN ANY FORM, BY OTHER THAN DEFENSE ACTIVITIES IS NOT AUTHORIZED EXCEPT BY SPECIFIC APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS (ONI).

Witness

INFORMATION REPORT
OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

SERIAL NO.
981-57

DATE OF REPORT
18 December 1957

EVALUATION
A-2

REQUEST NO.

CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIED

DATE OF INFORMATION
3 December 1957

OPNAV FORM 3820-2 (REV. 6-57)

FROM **ASST. NAVAL ATTACHE, HAMBURG** SOURCE **Conventional**

SUBJECT **GERMAN FEDERAL REPUBLIC - Unknown object falling in vicinity of Hamburg**

BRIEF (FOR REPORTS OF MORE THAN ONE PAGE, ENTER CAREFUL SUMMARY)
Encl: (1) Translation of ltr from Professor Dr. [redacted] of 6 Dec 1957

1. On 1 December 1957 about 1630 (GCT) a burning object was observed to fall in the vicinity of Hamburg. This object has been determined to be definitely non-meteorite. Source investigated the incident. The following information was obtained in personal interview and through correspondence (enclosure (1)) with source.

2. Source has stated as follows:

a. That a brightly burning object was seen to fall in the vicinity of Hamburg - several persons observed this incident at least one of whom is known to be a responsible person.

b. That this object struck the earth at an angle of about 30° above the horizontal.

c. That the point of impact was 8" - 10" in diameter and about 1" deep. The point of impact is located in a very swampy lowland and water below surface soil complicated recovery operations.

d. That the grass in the vicinity of point of impact was singed and covered with a white-grey oxide residue.

e. That no actual metallic pieces were recovered - only products of combustion.

f. That analysis of residue (see enclosure (1)) revealed magnesium and aluminum oxides with the former predominant in quantity.

THIS REPORT CONTAINS UNPROCESSED INFORMATION. PLANS AND/OR POLICIES SHOULD NOT BE EVOLVED OR MODIFIED SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THIS REPORT.

DISTRIBUTION BY ORIGINATOR
ANA HAMBURG; CINCEM REP GERMANY; S&T UNIT FRANKFURT

CLASSIFICATION
UNCLASSIFIED

DISTRIBUTION BY ONI (only to those addressees preceded by copy number)

9	CIA	CinCpac	ComSubPac	1	NRL	OP	1	Y1	ENCLOSURE
	STATE	CinCpacFlt	ComSublant	1	ONR	OP	5	Y1Z	M5
4	DI/USAF	CinClant/Flt	COMSTS		NTPC	OP		Y2	H1
2	G2, USA	CinCNeim	ComALSeaFron		PIC	OP92		Y3	F2
	G2, USMC	CinCNeimRep	ComCaribSeaFron		OP25	921E			N1
0	USIA	FlCelm	ComEastSeaFron		OP30	FIC	1	GB1	N2
	OSI, USAF	ComTDC	ComHawSeaFron		OP31	FIE			N3
	FBI	ComNavJapan	ComWestSeaFron		OP33	FIW			N4
	ICA	ComNavKorea	JAG		OP34	F2			1 - CC each add
	Commerce	ComNavMarianas	BuSandA		OP36	F3			CC each rpt.
	AEC	ComMidEastFor	BuShips		OP37	F4			
0	USCG	ComNavPhil	BuAer		OP40	H1			
		Com1STFlt	BuDocks		OP41	H3L			
	SacNav	Com2NDFlt	BuMed		OP50	H3M			
	SecDef	Com6THFlt	BuOrd		OP55	H3T			
		ComServ6Flt	BuPers		OP60	N1			
	OASD	Com7THFlt	NOL		OP61	N2			
		ComMinPac	NEL		OP62	N3			
		ComMinLant	NIS		OP63	V			

35-2
I.R. 5037414

